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Censorship Challenged In Senate

A LONG debate in the Senate yesterday, on a motion by Sir John Keane inviting an explanation from the Minister for the Co-Ordination of Defensive Measures in regard to the attitude adopted towards the book, "The House of Gregory," was adjourned until the next sitting of the House, after Mr. Aiken, the Minister, had replied to the motion.

"It has been suggested," Sir JOHN KEANE said, "that I, on account of my bad reputation, was about to make another attack on the moral stronghold, but I can assure you that this case has no more connection with an attack on morals than the *Daily Mail* has with the Book of Kells." In the issues involved, Mr. de Vere Gregory might become as important as Dreyfus. The injustice to him was an inroad into constitutional rights and an attack on literary freedom. The case would be a fitting prelude to a general debate on book censorship.

The author had had an R.I.C. career. On retirement, he was at a loose end. They should have sympathy with men who had just come out of occupation. That period of such men might be termed "the dangerous age." This man decided to write a book on his career. He had to safeguard himself as far as possible against loss. He submitted the book to the Censor. His proofs were returned on June 29th, stamped "Passed by Censor." They were recalled by the Censor for some reason on July 22nd. They were again returned on August 24th. The author went ahead with his work.

"ON TRIAL"

"I do not know the explanation," said Sir John Keane, "but the Minister is on trial on the subject." The author had, it was true, inserted certain matter which had been deleted. He left it to the House whether this matter should have been written or not. The matter referred to the experience of his son, who was in the British Navy. Sir John quoted a passage describing the torpedoing of the Royal Oak and the escape of the author's son from drowning. That, he said, was the extent of the deleted matter which re-appeared in the whole book.

He then read from the book a passage which paid tribute to Sir Hugh Trenchard "for saving England from invasion." Other extracts were complaints made by the author that Sir Hugh Trenchard, Lord Baldwin and Archbishop Cosmo Lang had not received higher honours than that of baron, although the latter two had "dealt very tactfully with the national tragedy, the abdication."

He would next pass to a point of which the Press knew—that there were no Press reviews, no Press advertisements regarding that book. He thought that at that stage, the House must be as puzzled as he was.

The witness, explaining other passages in her letter, said that the engineer was always complaining about the condition of the place, but took no proper action in connection with the distillation of peat tar. She felt no unfriendliness towards Mr. Thomas when complaining to the Mayor that the engineer's technical advice was responsible for the overdraft of £11,000 and the high price of gas.

CROKE PARK

I understand, said Sir John Keane, that the portion of the book by which the Minister justifies his extraordinary behaviour is the reference to the incident in Croke Park. The House knows that the Croke Park affair followed the unfortunate shootings in Mount street. This is the passage:—

"The wholesale slaughter — that refers to 'Bloody Sunday'—caused absolute consternation in Dublin Castle, and it was considered essential that immediate steps should be taken to try and make amenable some of the perpetrators before they had left the city. That afternoon a Gaelic football match between teams representing the teams of Tipperary and Dublin was to be held in Croke Park, and, as it was considered highly probable that many of those who had taken part in the murders would be taking part, it was decided to send a consignment of Black and Tans to the ground to search the spectators for arms or incriminating documents.

"When the first lorry load of Black and Tans entered the ground they alleged that some shots were fired at them. They then opened fire, killing twelve people, including Hogan, a stalwart member of the Tipperary team, and wounding about sixty others. A large number of revolvers were picked up on the ground, but no one was caught with a weapon on his person. The officer in charge on this occasion subsequently served under me, and I discussed with him the incidents of Bloody Sunday, as I wanted to know what he hoped to achieve by taking a lorry of men to search a crowd of ten thousand men on a football ground.

"He told me his orders were to

Senator Sir John Keane outside Leinster House.

search the crowd, and that if any opposition was offered he was to return the fire and shoot as many of the Tipperary team as possible, and on no account to let Hogan escape. Accordingly he included in his party a man whom he knew to be a dead shot with the rifle. He asserted that on arrival at Croke Park some shots were fired at his party as soon as they entered the gates, and he accordingly ordered his men to return the fire. Hogan was pointed out to the marksman, who put his rifle to his shoulder, pressed the the trigger, and Hogan dropped dead."

The book was published and circulated; and, said Sir John Keane, "I understand that the attitude of the Minister was that he did not want to have an unseemly newspaper controversy evoked by the appearance of reviews. One review, however, which the Censor did pass did not make any reference at all to the Croke Park incident." He understood, further, that the Minister objected to the suggestion that the British attack at Croke Park was so dastardly as the author indicated. He was glad to see that the Minister was now so concerned with the good name of the British. Times had moved.

Sir John Keane said he wanted the Minister to explain the inconsistency of the Censorship so far as passages in other books were concerned. He referred to certain passages in "Bowen's Court," which, in his opinion, contained passages just as objectionable, according to the Minister's standards, as those in this book. They had an extraordinary publication called "Orange Terror," which certainly would not make for better relations with a neighbouring Power, and had been banned in a neighbouring country. He read extracts from that publication, including one over the name of Senator William A. Magennis. There was also a book called "The Citizen Army," which had references to what happened in 1916, which were every bit as provocative as the Croke Park incident.

"ILLEGAL ACTION"

He maintained that once a book had passed the Censor it could not be seized, and surely, in equity, it should have freedom to circulate and not to be unrestricted in the matter of advertisements and reviews. He considered that the Minister's action was definitely illegal, and he thought it was a case that should come before this House. The Minister must have felt that he could get away with it, but worse was to come. When he (Senator Keane) put down his notice of motion, in the case of one newspaper at least that motion was deleted by the Censor. In that the Minister made a flagrant attack upon their Parliamentary rights. He understood that this was the first time that a notice of motion had been censored.

When the Emergency Powers were taken by the Government they all recognised that they must be very wide, and whenever a deputy or senator stressed the danger they were told that they always had Parliament to appeal to as a last resource. Did the Minister think that Parliament without publicity was a sufficient safeguard. Did the Minister claim the right to censor notices of Parliamentary motions or debates in Parliament, because if he did, the matter was not going to end there.

This was not an isolated case, but was symptomatic of what was going on in the censorship to-day. This dictator attitude grew very easily until the time came when the Minister was intoxicated by the use of these powers. It was time that the Minister went back to his political prime and realised that Ministers are servants of Parliament. It was time the Minister was told that sights could not be recklessly overridden, and that he could not use his position to satisfy his vanity or *amour propre*—that it was the duty of his office to act as a judge—and, above all, that he had got to pay every respect—even meticulously—to the rights of the representatives of the sovereign people—that is Parliament.

It is rather sad, concluded Sir John Keane, that after twenty-five years of political independence we should have to emphasise these elementary rights of a free people.

Mr. DONAL O'SULLIVAN said that a review of the book submitted by one newspaper was stopped by the Censor, who informed the editor that no useful purpose could be served by stirring up bitter memories of the Black and Tan atrocities.

I wonder, he said, that the editor replied asking for a direction as to at what point he might begin to make reference to Irish history.

Turning to the Press Gallery, Mr. O'Sullivan asked the Minister if the newspapers would be allowed to publish what transpired in "this allegedly free assembly."

Mr. P. HUGH O'DONNELL said in the national interests the Censor should be entitled to his view, but interference after a book had been allowed publication was going to be bad for Irish writers and literature. He personally did not agree with the case made by Sir John Keane, but at the same time he thought the Minister had done something that was undesirable and would have serious reactions.

Mr. KINGSMILL MOORE said Mr. Gregory, the author, in his retirement, had devoted his time, energy and money to compiling the history of a very remarkable family, of which he was proud to be a member. It might have been dull, but instead they had not only a precious family record, but a book that held out promise of great entertainment for the people of Ireland who would read it.

It dealt with cock-fighting, horse racing, shooting, fishing and other pastimes dear to the hearts of Irishmen. Mr. Gregory had spent £500 of his money. He had submitted the book to the responsible Minister and had carried out the emendations suggested. It was then sent back to the Minister to be submitted to higher authority, and again returned with no further comment. And then the book was published, having received not only the *Nil Obstat*, but the *Imprimatur* of the Minister. Only when the book had been printed, published and was on sale had the Minister intervened to prevent reviews of it.

MR. AIKEN'S REPLY

Mr. FRANK AIKEN, Minister for Co-Ordination of Defensive Measures, said he thought the Censorship had moved with the greatest possible caution in this particular case, and that was why they had got into trouble. When this particular book was submitted they could have done two things — either stopped it or passed it. He had got the impression that this was the reminiscences of a rather old gentleman who wanted to put his family history on record while in retirement. He had sympathy with anybody who wanted to do that, and had got the impression that the book was for private circulation. He was wrong there, and, in dealing with the book, they deleted only those passages in which the author sought to tell another country how they should have run the war and how they could have won it. He had no objection to an ex-British civil servant or officer of any kind telling the British Government how to run their affairs, but in this particular case, instead of being criticised for stopping the reviews of the book, if he had not done so he would probably have had to face criticism from exactly the same speakers for allowing criticisms of the British Government to be published here.

They allowed the book to be published with certain deletions. They had not banned it, and anybody who wanted it could get it for 15s. What they had done was, they stopped the reviews, which, from the first review that appeared in the Censorship Office, showed quite clearly that the book was going to lead to a bitter controversy here, as to whether, in fact, Croke Park was a massacre—one of the bloodiest items in British Imperial history, deliberate and cruel, or, as Mr. Gregory's informant made out, the deliberate murder of a single individual in football togs. He did not think that a controversy of that kind was going to do anybody any good.

WAR NEWS

There was not a country in the world whose people had had a better and a clearer opportunity of getting all the news of this war in an unbiassed manner than our people. There was not a single bit of news from the beginning of this war worth talking about that had been banned in this country.

Sir JOHN KEANE—Does that apply to domestic news?

Mr. AIKEN — There is no domestic news banned unless it cuts across national security. Continuing, Mr. Aiken said that there was not a single word uttered by the leaders of any country in this war, whether the Prime Ministers or the sovereign heads, that had been banned by the Irish censor. There was no other country in which the people had had that opportunity, but they had stood firmly against our people being oppressed by a barrage of propaganda on one side into taking a completely biased view of what was happening in the world. That was what was objected to, and not the censorship. They had allowed "Orange Terror" to be published, and were allowing every reply or comment on it to be published here. The people who most objected to the censorship appointed by the people in order to keep us out of the war were the very people who exercised censorship when it suited themselves. They had only got to look at the newspapers to see that one bit of important news had been censored by a paper the other day—that the Under Secretary of State up in the North thought it was a good thing to kick a man out of an Orange lodge because he quenched his thirst in a Catholic publichouse, and that members of his religion should not employ members of other religions. That was the sort of thing that had been censored by one of our papers. The Irish people, if the editorial staff of that paper had the say, would not get the facts of the news. The Government had allowed the news to come through and stopped the propaganda in order to enable the people to keep their balance in this disastrous war.

He agreed that the steps they had taken in this particular case were undesirable, but the reasons were that they wanted to have as much freedom as possible and they did not want to make trouble with a book that was selling at 15s., but they had taken a different line with the newspapers because of the difference in their general function.

The debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House, which adjourned *sine die*.

Record Prices For Fish

Cod and whiting at 4/- a pound, filleted plaice at 6/6 and salmon at 8/6 were about the only fish on sale in Dublin yesterday, and these were in very short supply. Shipping is to blame for the fish famine, for only two of the usual three trawlers have been operating during the week.

Retailers do not hold out much hope for to-day or to-morrow, and cannot forstell what the situation will be. It all depends on whether a trawler comes in or not.

Limerick Gas Engineer's Problems

WHEN the inquiry into the administration of Limerick gas works was resumed yesterday, Miss Kathleen Moroney, shorthand typist, was subjected to a searching examination by the Inspector, Mr. T. C. McCourtney, M.E.

She denied any knowledge of an arrangement under which the engineer should be apprised of all purchases. Following a conversation between the City Manager, the engineer and herself in June, 1942, it was arranged that the engineer should initial requisitions in future, but after a time he discontinued this. Requisitions were left on her desk for him.

Inspector—You said that the requisitions might have been lying there for days without the engineer signing them? Yes, he might be too busy.

Inspector—This is very important. The engineer is responsible for the works. I'm trying to discover when the engineer ceased to sign the requisitions. You say they were always on your table? Yes.

And if they were not signed it was the engineer's fault? Yes.

Asked why she did not show the correspondence with Messrs. West, regarding the extension of the plant, to the engineer, Miss Moroney said she did not know. The manager might have discussed it with the engineer, who was, she thought, in touch with West's all the time. If she had been told to do so she would have shown the letters to the engineer. Whether the engineer should be kept informed of the progress of the negotiations was a matter for the City Manager.

The inspector then questioned Miss Moroney regarding her letter to the then Mayor, Alderman D. J. O'Malley. "You suggested in the letter," he said, "that the engineer was incapable of doing his job. Are you suggesting that?" "I must have," replied the witness. Her statement to the Mayor that the engineer was shown all the correspondence side of the undertaking was correct.

More Diphtheria in Dublin

Diphtheria again is prevalent in Dublin, and the need of immunisation is stressed by Dr. M. Russell, Medical Officer of Health. There were 391 cases for the last quarter, compared with 208 cases for the corresponding period last year.

As the epidemic is a virulent type, parents are advised to take steps to have their children immunised in one or other of the many clinics, or by the family doctor.

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Flare-up South of Rome

ROME Radio stated last night, according to a Reuter cable, that there has been a general flare-up of activity in the Nettuno-Anzio area, and that British and American troops throughout the day kept up their pressure in a northerly and easterly direction. "Fighting is bitter."

Reuter's Special Correspondent at Allied Headquarters writes that German reinforcements of men and guns are being pushed up from other sectors, but as they move along the broad highways and twisting mountain roads they come under relentless bombardment from Allied navy or air forces.

Troop movements along roads in the Formia area—between the Fifth Army front and the Nettuno bridgehead—have been heavily bombarded by a force of cruisers and destroyers, he states, while tactical Air Force 'planes broke up German efforts to bring artillery support to defenders on the fringe of the bridgehead.

The first important encounter between the reinforced Germans and the Allied spearheads occurred on Wednesday south-west of Littoria, about 12 miles east of Nettuno and two miles short of the Appian Way. Here a determined formation of the Hermann Goering division tried to halt the Allied advace, but were badly beaten in a fierce engagement. The Germans were driven back, leaving 120 dead on the flat terrain of the Pontine Marshes.

This is the first time the Allies have been specifically located inland.

The Hermann Goering panzers were last reported to be fighting the British on the Lower Garigliano.

The United States has suspended oil shipments from the Caribbean area to Spain for the month of February, states an Associated Press cable from Washington.

The beach-head is growing stronger every hour, and reinforcements of men, tanks, artillery and mobile equipment are rolling ashore, Reuter's correspondent states. The beach-head also continues to expand, although less quickly as the opposition stiffens, and the Allied policy of consolidation is fulfilled.

Apart from the Littoria battle, General Alexander has not revealed any location or progress of his troops, and no confirmation can be obtained of the capture of Villetri or of the appearance of Allied forces near the mouth of the Tiber—as reported by various European radio stations.

MARSHES DRY

Neither has there been any recent news of the condition of the Pontine Marshes, which, at the time of the Salerno landings, were reported to have been flooded as a defence measure. Apparently, they are now dry, and offered no obstacle to the Allies' penetration to Littoria. The Appian Way also seems usable by the Germans.

Although Wednesday's weather was generally bad for flying, Allied squadrons struck at junction points in the Formia and Cassino areas. The Rome-Pescara road, which Kesselring might use to draw reinforcements from the Adriatic, was again blocked in the mountains at Popoli.

On the main Fifth Army front French troops are now battling for possession of 2,500-feet Mount Belvedere, five miles above Cassino. They have crossed the Rapido and cut the Belmonte-Cassino road, and again seriously threaten the Germans' northern flank.

German artillery fire has decreased somewhat on the Eighth Army front, where patrols are active. Two small-scale German attacks were repulsed.

Mixed Marriages

THE Archbishop of York (Dr. Garbett) spoke of the "humiliating terms" imposed by the Roman Catholic Church in mixed marriages, when he discussed loyalty to the Church of England, at Durham last night.

At the annual Service commemorating the founders and benefactors at Durham Cathedral he said they would show themselves blind to reality if they claimed that loyalty to the Church was universal.

"Some would for no adequate reason," Archbishop Garbett said, "transfer their allegiance to some other religious body. For instance, they will yield easily to the demands of the Roman Catholic Church that in the case of a mixed marriage the non-Roman should promise that any children should be brought up as Roman Catholics. It is a hard, a cruel choice, presented to a man or woman deeply in love. A loyal member of the Church of England would unhesitatingly refuse to assent to such humiliating terms."

New Air Command

General Sir Henry Maitland Wilson, last night, announced the formation of a new air command—the Mediterranean Allied Air Force—and a command of Lt.-General Ira C. Eaker, cables Reuter's Special Correspondent at Allied Headquarters. This new command replaces the Mediteranean air command and North-west African Air Forces, which have now merged their personnel into the new command, and have officially passed out of existence. Deputy Commander of the new forces is Air Marshal Sir John Slessor.

Mr. Henry L. Stimson, United States Secretary of War, said yesterday that a heavy battle was impending south of Rome, in which the enemy would attempt to push the Allied troops into the sea, and re-establish communications between Rome and the southern line. "This will not be the battle of Rome, but the preliminary to it," he added.

Argentine Crisis

A crisis in the Argentine Government developed last night with the resignation of the Ministers of Justice, Agriculture, the Interior, and three other high Government officials.—(Reuter.)

Mr. Eden, British Foreign Secretary, told Sir Malcolm Robertson (Con., Mitchem) in the House of Commons yesterday that Great Britain had promised help to the Argentine Government in their efforts to end enemy activity within their borders.

Red Army Breaks Down Blockade of Leningrad

AN Order of the Day, addressed by General Govorov, Commander of the Leningrad front, to his troops of the Red Army, Baltic sailors, and to the city's "brave and steady people," was released last night in Moscow, and gave the news of Leningrad's complete release from the German blockade, which had lasted since August, 1941.

A 24-salvo victory salute of 324 of Leningrad's guns was heard last night in London, together with its background of songs and victory marches.

General Govorov's Order stated:—"Comrades, Red Army men, N.C.O.s and officers of the troops of the Leningrad front, sailors of the Red Banner Baltic Fleet, workers of the city of Leningrad, the troops of the Leningrad front, as a result of 12 days' stubborn and tense fighting, have broken through and overcome, along the entire front at Leningrad, the strongly fortified, deeply-staggered long-term German defence, taken by storm the most important defence key points and support points at Leningrad, the towns of Krasnoye Selo, Ropsha, Uritak, Pushkin, Pavlovsk, Mga, Ulianovka, Gatchina, Tosno, Volosovo and others, and successfully developing their offensive, have liberated more than 700 inhabited points and repulsed the enemy from Leningrad along the entire front for a distance of 65 to 100 kilometres. The advance continues."

NEAR BALTIC

The usual communiqué fronm Moscow recorded the capture yesterday of the rail junctions of Tosno (40 miles S.E. of Leningrad) and Volosovo (50 miles to the S.W. and 40 miles from the Baltic) and a number of other important localities, while the "railway and highway from Lyuban to Tosno were completely cleared of the enemy." Fighting is now taking place in the outskirts of Lyuban. The communiqué also stated that counter-attacks were repelled east of Vinnitsa.

A Press Association military correspondent states that General Govorov's announcement means that a struggle unequalled even by the heroic defence and subsequent triumph of Stalingrad has concluded.

By the beginning of September, 1941, Marshal von Leeb had cut the Leningrad-Moscow trunk railway at a number of points and proclaimed that he was about to undertake the final assault on the city, whose fall was meant to open the northern gateway to Moscow. But he had reckoned without the tenacity of the Red Army aided by home guard detachments from Leningrad's factories and the devotion of countless women and children and aged men who worked feverishly to strengthen the city's defences.

Cut off from the rest of Russia the city held on thorough two bitter winters, fed only by the narrow lifeline across frozen Lake Ladoga and suffering privations and hunger from which nearly two million of the population died.

TO CUT RETREAT

Reuter's Special Correspondent in Moscow cables that the two North front Generals, Govorov and Meretskov, are driving from north and east to cut off the retreat of General Kuechler's armies. At the head of the German salient, where picked forces are still making a stand to cover the retreat of the main body, resistance is greatly strained.

General Meretskov's forces are five miels eats of Batetskaya junction, and only 30 miles from Luga. General Govorov is pushing down the railway from the north, and most of what remain of Kuechler's 25 divisions are making for the intervening gap across windswept, desolate marshland. Only bitter rearguard actions and the swiftest organisation of transport is likely to save the German grouping from wholesale round-up in the marshes, this correspondent states.

NEW BATTLES

A blaze-up of the Red Army offensive between the Pripet and Beresina rivers in White Russia, and large-scale battles in the south, where powerful Soviet forces are attacking south-west of Cherkassy and south-east of Byelaya Tserkov, were described by the Berlin commentator, Colonel von Hammer, last night. In White Russia, he said, massed formations attacked on a wide front, and "at two points the Russians penetrated the German lines. One dent was immediately cut off and the second ironed out in counter-thrusts."

He reported also that south-west of Cherkassy the Russians at some points over-ran the foremost German lines, while south-east of Byelaya Tserkov—after some initial success—the bulk of the Soviet forces were held in front of the German artillery positions. At Kerch heavy fighting went on all day yesterday.

Alexander's Tribute to General Clark

GENERAL ALEXANDER, after a visit to the Allied forces on the Anzio-Nettuno beach-head, south of Rome, told a correspondent of the *New York Times* that everything is very encouraging. "We have had a terrific start," he said. "We gained the advantage of complete surprise, and everything is going wonderfully.

"High praise is due to the Fifth Army and General Mark Clark for the planning and the mounting of the operation. It went like a field day.

"The enemy had been drawn in to the main front just before the landings. The 3rd Panzer Grenadiers had been switched from the Eighth to the Fifth Army front. The 29th Division had just been brought down from the enemy's reserve and now it must go back. The Hermann Goering Division had been drawn in from Rome.

"I want to pay a special tribute to the Americans along the Rapido, who did a wonderful job in getting across the high, fast-flowing river and establishing two bridgeheads, although they later lost them. This action held down the German reserves, drawing them into the battle, and thus facilitating the landings further up. We made the enemy lower his guard, and then hit him on the chin. It was not quite a knock-out, but we rocked him badly.—(Reuter.)

Body Identified

The body taken from the Liffey near Islandbridge on Saturday last has been identified as that of Edward Kelly, Amiens street, a native of Highpark, Woodlawn, Co. Galway. He is survived by a wife and two children.

Prisoners Lost on Japanese Ship

The British War Office announced yesterday: "A list of British prisoners of war who are stated to have lost their lives on November 29th, 1943, when a Japanese transport vessel, carrying British prisoners of war from Java, was sunk, has been received from the Japanese Government.

"The next-of-kin of the British prisoners of war, reported as lost in the sinking, have been informed.

"The circumstances attending the occurrence are the subject of urgent inquiries."

The War Office announcement is the first news made public of the sinking of the transport and the loss of British prisoners.

Just over a year ago official news was issued by the British Embassy at Chungking of the loss, early in October, 1942, of the Japanese merchant ship, Lisbon Maru, while on its way to Japan with more than 1,500 British prisoners of war aboard. The vessel was torpedoed.

America's Great Air Force

The American Air Force now numbers more than 2,300,000 officers and men, the American Army Air Force Training Command disclosed yesterday in Fort Worth, Texas, says Reuter.

There are 100,799 pilots, 20,086 bombardiers, 18,305 navigators, 107,218 aerial flexible gunners, and 355,931 ground and air combat technicians.

MAGAZINE FORT INQUIRY DEMAND

A SWORN inquiry into the Magazine Fort (Dublin) raid at Christmas, 1939, was demanded at the Fine Gael Ard Fheis yesterday. A resolution, which was passed, asked that a special committee of the Dail be appointed to investigate at the inquiry all the circumstances surrounding the raid. It stated that Ministers of State, members of the Defence Force and others concerned should give evidence.

The inquiry, it was stated, would be for the purpose of establishing whether or not Captain Curran, who was in charge of the fort, deserved his ignominious dismissal, without gratuity of pension, from the Army. It was also stated that Captain Curran, who had given 50 years' service to the country, was at his religious duties at the time of the raid.

Bakers' Vanmen May Strike

Dublin bread queues may reappear next week, but on a bigger scale than heretofore. Five conferences have failed to settle the trouble in the industry centring round a demand for shorter hours and improved conditions generally by the vanmen, helpers, stablemen and others to the number of 400. A trade union official told a reporter last night that a strike, due to begin on Monday, now seems inevitable. The Irish Transport and General Workers Union served the strike notices some weeks ago.

The bakers are not affected, and will remain at work, a reporter was told, but the public would be wise to get in bread supplies, as only the shops adjoining bakeries will have supplies, and queues will result.

Mr. Montagu Norman, Governor of the Bank of England, had a good day yesterday, and his strength is maintained, said a bulletin last night.

Labour T.D.s' Queries on Communism

The five Transport Workers' Union deputies—Messrs. J. P. Pattison (Kilkenny), John O'Leary (Wexford), D. Spring (Kerry North), T. D. Looney (Cork, South-East), and James Everett (Wicklow)—propose to define their attitude to the Labour Party and their future course of action on certain conditions.

The desire to know what action the Administrative Council has taken regarding the violation of their pledges by Mr. William Norton, leader of the party in the Dail, and Mr. James Larkin (junior), T.D., a member of the Administrative Council, and also what action had been taken to remove the Communists and Communist influences from the party.

Mr. L. J. Duffy, Secretary of the Party, had written to those five deputies regarding their position in respect of the party pledge. They replied jointly, as stated, and set out that they did not admit that they had in any way departed from the pledge.

Dublin North-East Constituency Council re-affirmed their confidence in the Administrative Council's authority, and pledged support to its leadership.

Sugar Retailers Not Satisfied

The Retail Grocers', Dairy and Allied Trades' Association yesterday discussed with officials of the Department of Supplies the new retail price of sugar.

The deputation, says a statement, made a strong protest against the action of the Government in not consulting the Association before raising the price. A higher margin of profit was demanded, and it was urged that, while the producer and manufacturer got the full benefit of the increase in prices, the shopkeepers' percentage was actually reduced.

Mr. Cathal Loughney, General Secretary of the Association, said last night that his Standing Committee was determined to get a fair profit on sugar.

Shots in Dundalk Hardware Shop

When, at Dundalk yesterday, the brothers James and Martin McDonagh, itinerants, were charged with breaking into a Dundalk hardware shop, Thomas Leavy, son of the shopkeeper, said that when he went into the shop to see what was happening he was tackled by one man and then saw another. He fired behind one of the men and then both went out through a skylight. He fired two more shots and heard a man say—"I'm shot."

Martin McDonagh said that he and his brother had been drunk on the night in question and walked from Dundalk to their camp at Drumbilla, just across the border. He denied being near Leavys that night.

Both cases were dismissed by District Justice Goff.

TEA RATION

THE tea ration for domestic consumers, catering establishments and institutions will be continued for February at the existing rate. The ration for domestic consumers is 2 oz. per week per person.

Call for More State Aid For Housing

AT a meeting of the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland, a letter from the Carlow Urban District Council referring to the Council's proposal to erect 40 houses was read by the Secretary, Mr. S. MacCathmhaoil. The letter stated that on the basis of tenders received last October, the all-in-cost of each house, to be erected under the Housing of Working Classes Acts, would be £850. On that figure the economic rent would be £1 1s. 6d. per week (£55 18s. 9d. per annum) per house, and even if the full two-thirds subsidy on the maximum of £350 was allowed, it would amount to 5s. 1d. per week (£12 4s. 4d. per annum) per house, a weekly sum of 16s. 5d. per house per week would still have to be met from rent and rates. The Carlow Council considered that with these figures it was financially impossible for local bodies to proceed with their housing programmes unless additional State aid was given.

The Chairman, Alderman R. Corish, T.D., Mayor of Wexford, said that, even if the State gave a subsidy amounting to two-thirds of the total cost of each house, instead of two-thirds of £350 of the total cost, as at present, the rent would still be about 8s. per week.

Mr. MacCathmhaoil said that the detailed figures set out by the Town Clerk of Carlow, showed that if the £850 house was to be let at 4s. 6d. per week, a loss of 11s. 11d. per week would have to be borne by the rates. In view of the position in regard to the State subsidies, a deputation, representative of the Municipal authorities of Ireland, would shortly be sent to the Minister for Local Government.

A vote of condolence with the relatives of the late George Plunkett was unanimously passed.

NEED OF NATIONAL GOVERNMENT

REAFFIRMING Fine Gael's policy of National Government, General Mulcahy, at the Fine Gael Ard Fheis, in Dublin, yesterday, said:—

"We are supposed to think rather little of the people in Great Britain, but to-day we see in Britain men of English, Scottish, aye, and Irish blood, bound together into a great unity to work for their people and defend their country. We, who think ourselves superior in our ideals and with a more basically Christian outlook, cannot bring our people here to band together to do the work of this nation."

General Mulcahy said that Fine Gael's propcsal to form a National Government was honestly, definitely and firmly put forward at the last general election, and they could not help it if, just as in the past in other matters, innuendoes and suggestions and misrepresentations and lies of one kind or another were circulated throughout the country in regard to it. Whatever might be the verdict passed by the country on that proposal at the last election—if it could be said that there was such a verdict—Fine Gael was firmly convinced to-day that the nature of the problems which confronted them and the work to be done would require the unified efforts of the people as a whole.

They would require an Executive Council representative of every party in Parliament, and, in so far as they fell short of that ideal through lack of conviction or understanding, the country would suffer in its work to-day and in its prospects to-morrow. All he could tell them was that they were definitely convinced that they needed that, and that they were striving by an educational propaganda and otherwise, to bring their people to that frame of mind. What did they have an army for but to defend the nation as a whole, and, if they asked the young men in the Army to be willing to lay down their lives for the common good of all, surely they could ask the members of the various political parties to come together also and serve as a united body.

That was the idea with which they approached National Government, and, when they could bring the intelligence of our people to bear on it, they would have no difficulty in finding, from among the men elected to the Dail and Senate and from elsewhere, men of sufficient calibre to form a worthy Executive Council—a Cabinet worthy to face their difficulties. So long as there were people denying the necessity for that unity, there was no need to go into further details. But if Fianna Fail and themselves, and Labour and the Farmers could be brought to agree that the necessity was there, then they could find, from among the ranks of them all, men, not only capable, but very willing to come and serve together. They would be very willing to be relieved of the shocking and unnational position they found themselves in to-day.

Bologna Fascist Murdered

The Fascist High Commissioner for Bologna, Dr. Eugen Facchina, was murdered yesterday, states a German News Agency message relayed by Reuter.

As he was leaving the Cantine of the University of Bologna three unknown men fired seven revolver shots from close range and escaped on bicycles. One million lire reward has been offered for the capture of the murderers.

It is not so much a question of size as of fit in children's shoes—and fitting is an experts job. Clarks shoes wear well and last longer because they allow room for little toes to grow naturally without being cramped. Clarks shoes are made in Eire by Clarks Ireland Ltd., Dundalk, and sold by selected retailers all over the country.

This is one of a series of advertisements published by Clarks to help parents in the care of children's feet.

Interprovincial Rugby At Belfast

TWO changes have been announced on the Leinster team which meets Ulster at Ravenhill, Belfast, to-morrow. As expected, K. P. O'Flanagan, who was injured in the early stages of last Saturday's Combined Universities v. The Rest of Ireland match at Lansdowne road, is unable to turn out, and his place on the left wing will be taken by N. J. Burke (Lansdowne). J. J. Guiney (Bective Rangers) also is not available, and T. Halpenny (U.C.D.) fills the wing-forward vacancy.

Burke had a good game last Saturday, and, although perhaps not quite as fast as O'Flanagan, is a sound tackler—O'Flanagan's weak point—and tries very hard. Burke played on the Leinster team against Ulster in November, on that occasion figuring in the centre, and he is likely to prove his worth in to-morrow's match. Halpenny also had a good match for the Combined Universities last Saturday and his fitness and enthusiasm should make him well worth his place.

Ulster, with Nelson, Wilkin and Cromey included, will field a useful pack, but although they are likely to hold their own in the loose, the heavier Leinster eight probably will have the best of the tight scrums.

The Ulster half-backs, Adrain and Greer, should love a lot better than their opposite numbers, Thorpe and Coveney, behind the scrum, but their superiority may end here. G. Quinn and J. Aherne should supply plenty of thrust in the centre, where Ulster are generally weak, while both Moran and Burke should be dangerous.

If Thorpe can get the ball away smartly from the base of the scrum, and if Coveney refrains from individual effort, Leinster are likely to enjoy a marked superiority and should improve on the form they displayed in their meeting with the Northern province in November.

There will be the usual club fixtures in Dublin, six matches in all being up for decision. Wanderers will be at home to Clontarf at Lansdowne road, while Monkstown are likely to record their twelfth victory against Old Wesley at Sydney Parade. Old Belvedere will be in opposition to Blackrock College at Jones's road, and Dublin University will be visitors to Bective Rangers at Donnybrook. The remaining two matches are Palmerston v. U.C.D., at Glenskeagh, and St. Mary's v. Lansdowne at Kimmage Grove.

TEAMS.

Leinster—C. Murphy (Lansdowne), p. G. Moran (Clontarf), G. J. Quinn (Old Belvedere), J. Aherne (Blackrock), N. J. Burke (Lansdowne); T. Coveney (St. Mary's College), D. Thorpe (Old Belvedere); M. P. Aherne (Monkstown), Lieut. D. Merrer (Palmerston and Army), J. Belton (Old Belvedere), W. McManaway (Wanderers), J. Bradfield (Dublin University), D. Hegarty (Lansdowne), K. O'Brien (Bective Rangers), T. Halpenny (U.C.D.).

Ulster—A. O'Connor (Malone); J. McIlroy (Magee College), V. Harrison (N.I.F.C.), J. Piggot (Queen's University), W. J. Hinson (Queen's University); H. Greer, J. Adrain (N.I.F.C.); H. G. Dudgeon, T. Cromey, F. Cromey (Collegians), S. J. Edgar (Civil Service), R. Nelson (Malone), D. McCourt, S. McLernon (Instonians), W. M. Wilkins (Queen's University).

Clontarf—M. B. Williams; O. Palclc, F. G. Moran, N. Mahoney, B. Mullan; R. Mutlen, B. McClancy, J. O'Brien, S. Herlihy, F. J. Lyons, H. V. Milroy, D. P. Madden, J. J. Guiney, W. M. Clarke, J. Clune.

Palmerston—R. J. Gill; A. K. Ellis, F. Kenny, W. A. Polis, A. B. Watson, D. Sheehan, C. Verso; R. Fitzgerald, H. R. Roberts, A. Fine, t. Allen, L. Allen, E. G. Flynn, G. Mulroney, H. McClelland.

Old Wesley—T. C. Trinder; N. McConnell, A. Bennett, G. England, R. C. McKell; A. E. Carry, P. L. Wolfe; R. C. Gilliland, Glass, J. Wright, B. E. Booth J. J. Sweetman, D. E. Glenn, H. G. McElroy, S. H. Polden.

St. Mary's College—A. Martin; B. O'Sullivan, D. Hughes, G. Martin, S. O'Byrne; P. Meehan, M. Becker; S. Ryan, S. Mulvey, P. Sullivan, J. Byrne, W. Burke, M. Tracy, J. Meany, W. Meehan.

Wanderers—J. A. Matson; A. Gill, A. B. Robertson, G. Rafter, N. F. Taylor; J. A. Collins, D. M. Doherty; L. Griffin, C. R. Graves, R. H. Satchwell, J. B. Hamilton, L. N. Horan, D. S. Sherriff, G. W. McGibney, B. Harvey.

Greyhound Sale

A successful greyhound sale was conducted yesterday by Messrs. R. J. Goff at their premises at Lower Mount street. The average was exceptionally good—fifteen dogs fetching 40 guineas or over. Mr. J. Begley paid highest price of the day, 110 guineas, for Mrs. E. Snell's Rebel Light dog, Mammie's Rebel. Flirtaway Again, a litter sister to Miss Abbeylara and Abbey Snowdrop, was knocked down to Mr. J. D. Farrell for 100 guineas. Chief transactions:—

		Gns.
Mrs. E. Snell's br. d. (Aug., '42)	**Mammie's Rebel** (Rebel Light—Perilous Sea) ...Mr. J. Begley	110
Mr. D. Fitzpatrick's w. b. (Jan., '42)	**Flirtaway Again** (Abbeylara—Fading Toils) ... Mr. J. D. Farrell	100
Mr. T. F. O'Brien's r. d. (June, '42)	**Over Tired** (Highland Rum —Over To) ...Mr. D. O'Rorke	90
Mr. T. Byrne's bd. b. (Jan., '42)	**Wright's Iris** (Inler Iris—Wright's Cross) ... Mr. A. C. Walkling	75
Mr. L. Malone's r. or f. d. (Feb., '41)	**Blue Street** (Manhattan Midnight—Barc Leg) ... Mr. G. P. Gray	72
Mr. M. White's bd. d. (Aug., '42)	**Minister's Wedding** (Linen's Ring—Gone Red) ...Mr. Gibson	62
Mr. J. Hawkins's bd. d. (Mar., '42)	**Ballaboe Bridge** (Carolina Prince—Balleen Meadow) ... Mr. G. P. Gray	52
Mr. J. Mulvey's blue d. (Aug., '42)	sapling (Morning Herald—Kitty's Colleen) Mr. R. O'Connor	52
Mr. J. Moore's bl. d. (Feb., '42)	**Mettlesome Brigade** (Gay Brigade—Mettlesome Mets) ... Mr. T. O'Connor	50

BILLIARDS AND SNOOKER

In the amateur snooker championship, at Burroughs and Watts Hall, Dublin, last night J. McNally (Belfast) beat A. Gough (Dublin) by 46-57, 100-28, 25-72, 88-13, 69-25. The best break was 40 (6 blacks) by the winner.

P. Merrigan (Dublin) beat J. Brennan (Dublin) by 500-196 in a first round billiards match. The break of 75, on which Merrigan won, was the highest; he also made breaks of 55, 48, and 33 (twice).

KNOCKADROLEEN DEAD.

Knockadroleen, winner of the Ulster Grand National at Downpatrick in 1940, has had to be destroyed. He was owned by Miss Betty Kearns, of Dublin, and met with a mishap in training. His last success was at Leopardstown in July, when he dead-heated with Kal-Lung.

Moonlight Tea Wins Ossory Coursing Cup

By Master McGrath.

MOONLIGHT TEA, running on right well at Seven Houses yesterday, credited Mr. J. J. Kelly, a Kilkenny city business man, with his fourth win, as a nominator, in the Ossory Cup Stake, his previous nominations having been Grad Grind, Monologue and Knabo. Runner-up was Mr. S. J. O'Connor's nomination, His Home. The winner, owned by Mr. K. Kilmartin, of Offaly, was favourite for the National Cup at Newbridge, but was drawn with an injured toe. His Home, the property of Mrs. J. Griffin, Ballymun, Dublin, won the Belsize Cup, and reached the fourth round of the Irish Cup at Clounanna recently.

The wagering before we resumed took a turn in favour of His Home, who was at 6 to 4, but for the decider he was at even money, the likely result of a very heavy cannon in the fourth round with Dr. Tibbles (has may have aggravated an old toe injury. That something was amiss with the black was obvious from his performance against Moonlight Tea. For a while he showed the better pace, but as they stretched far up the incline he failed to stand up to the resolute challenge of the brindled. When Moonlight Tea shifted the hare he was three lengths in the good, which decided the issue; for with the strong hare there was no possible chance of His Home making any impression on such a lead. Moonlight Tea shot out as he drove to kill, letting the black in; but the favourite quickly resumed for a few more to the escapes—a really one-sided course.

OSSORY CUP—For 32 all-ages. Winner, £150 and Cup; second, £50; two dogs, £10; four, £5.

Third Round—Moonlight Tea (3.) beat Battle Blitz; Gone for a Goat (2l.) beat Wizard Rex; His Home (1l.) beat Fawn Invader; Dr. Tibbles (1l.) beat Gleneden Soldier.

Fourth Round—Moonlight Tea (4l.) beat Gone for a Goat; His Home (3l.) beat Dr. Tibbles.

Deciding Course—Mr. J. J Kelly ns. Mr. S. Kilmartin's bd. d. MOONLIGHT TEA (Mr. Moon—Duffy's Tea) (3l.) beat Mr. S. J. O'Connor ns. Mrs. J. Griffin's bl. d. HIS HOME (Dasher Lad—Knocken Girl).

TRIAL STAKES (No. 1, 16 dogs).

Third Round—Cope with Tanist (3l.) beat Laurel Fidget; Fan Blade (3l.) beat Rally Royal.

Deciding Course—Mrs. Corry and Mr. M. T. Connolly's bk. Cope with Tanist (Tanist—Cope's Fancy) (1l.) beat Mr. P. Deegan's f. Fan Blade (Trinter—Deborrah).

TRIAL STAKES (No. 2, 16 dogs).

Third Round—Queer Hawk (3l.) beat Leading Invader; Fair Motive (4l.) beat Ballyrotiure.

Deciding Course—Mr. J. McDonald's bk. Queer Hawk (Tanist—Dashing Doris) (3l.) beat Mrs. F. Moore's f. Fair Motive (Ocean Blend—Edith Bronte).

TRIAL STAKES (No. 1, 16 bitches).

Third Round—Fair Madam (3l.) beat Marvellous Choice; Slaney Belle (2l.) beat Maeve.

Deciding Course—Mr. F. Moore's f. Fair Madam (Ocean Blend—Edith Bronte) (3l.) beat Mr. J. Cantwell's bd. Slaney Bella (Dancer's Moon—Guy Belle).

TRIAL STAKES (No. 2, 16 bitches).

Third Round—Talto's Collar (3l.) beat Dark Poplar; Moving Tessie beat Kells Ration (fell in run-up).

Deciding Course—Miss B. Bean Mic Oda's bd. Talte's Colleen (Leading Border—Mount Kite) (4l.) beat Master S. Hughes's bl. Moving Tessie (Guy Brigade—Magic Beginner).

GARNAMAN STAKES (16)—Mr. T. A. Morrin's bk. d. Mangerton (Dark Invader—Sneem) and Mr. M. Walsh's bk. b. Black Peggy (Tempestuous—Suirside Light) divided.

DANESFORT STAKES (16)—Mr. J. Slater's bk. d. Scotch Briar (Man o' Man —Bearskin Peggy) and Mr. J. Healy's bk. b. Rose Iris (Inler Iris—Nore Cutlet) divided.

THE CLARKE CUP

The draw for the Leinster coursing on Monday and Tuesday at Old Carton, Maynooth, is:—

CLARKE CUP (32)—Hilarious Girlie v. Brownlow House; Like Inler v. Mettlesome Joe; D'Arcy Magee v. Full Jubilee; Vesington Swallow v. Joyful Admiral; Brown Bolt v. Sol. Survivor; Rimfield Rover v. Gusto; Big Game v. Lobo Trail; Marshal Kildare v. Swift Brigade; Mettlesome Nigger v. Glengarriffe; Moving Daisy v. Fenville Boy; Bombshe v. Badly Bitten; Fineland v. Dutch Warrior; His the Breeze v. Kilbannon; Barbara's Charm v. Rose in a Jug; Miss Slanemore v. Count's Abbey; Rattling Right v. Baytown Crocus.

Leinster Puppy Stake (8); Old Carton Stake (8 2-course). Meet at Salesian Cross at 9.30 a.m. on Monday and at Old Carton at 9.30 a.m. on Tuesday.

GOLF CLUB NOTICES

Foxrock.—Tomorrow—Mr. P. J. Kiely's prize, Stapleford.

Rathfarnham.—To-morrow—Scotch foursomes v bogey. Ladies—December foursomes; draws 10.30 and 2.45.

Woodbrook.—Ladies—Tuesday, medal. February 5th—Committee, 3.30 p.m., clubhouse.

Hermitage. — Ladies—To-morrow—Captain's v. hon. secretary's match; draw 2.30.

Elm Park.—To-morrow—Medal, bogey.

Skerries.—Ladies—To-morrow—Medal, 9 holes draw 4 p.m.

Curragh.—Ladies—Surprise foursomes; Mrs. Price (2) and Miss Hession (11), 40½. Sweepstake—Miss Counihan (18), 36. Sunday—Surprise foursomes, 2.45.

Newlands.—Sunday—Fourball v. bogey; select partners and opponents.

Royal Dublin. — To-morrow—Medal, bogey, 18 holes.

Portmarnock—To-morrow: Medal, bogey.

Friday G.S.—To-day at Hermitage: Mr. M. T. Brunton's prize, 14 holes, Stableford.

Elm Park.—Ladies: Miss B. McCluskey (13), 38; Mrs. Duffy (7), 39; Mrs. L. Geoghegan (15), 39.

Woodbrook.—Foursomes draw posted in club-house; first round to be played on or before February 13.

Milltown.—Tomorrow; Scotch foursomes, strokes, in classes.

Foxrock.—Ladies—Tuesday next: Medal. Committee meeting, 2 o'c.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.

To-morrow—Naas, Calverstown House, 1.0 p.m.; North Armagh, Mr. Cudie's, Tamnamore, 1.0 p.m.; Co. Down, Dromara, 12.45 p.m.; Newry Ryan School House, 12.30 p.m.; Kildare, Rathcoole, 11.30 a.m.; Strabane, Boohan Cross-roads, 1.0 p.m.; Bray, Shankill, 2.30 p.m.; South Mayo, Cloonee, 12 noon; Ward Union, Donaghmore Cross-roads, 2.30 p.m.; Louth, Aclint, 11.0 a.m.; South Co. Dublin, Ball Alley, Lucan, 2.30 p.m.; Kilkenny, Windgate, 11.30 a.m.; Waterford, Sporthouse, 11.30 a.m.; United Hunt Club, Pines Cross, 11.30 a.m.; Duhallow, Tarrant's Cross, 11.0 a.m.; Carlow, Palatine, 12 noon

Army Soccer Championship.—At Limerick: 5th Brigade (holders) 4, 1st Brigade 3.

Irish Cup Draw.—Draw for the second round of the Irish Cup, to be played on February 12th and 19th:—Linfield v. Larne; Cliftonville v. Ards; Celtic v. Distillery; Bangor Reserves v. I.T.C.

Swimming.—The annual meeting of the Schools' section, Leinster Branch I.A.S.A., will be held to-day at 12 Westmoreland street, Dublin, at 4.15.

Rail Stocks Fluctuate Rise in Banks

MARKETS were not quite so busy on the Dublin Stock Exchange yesterday, and scattered liquidation produced some irregularity in price movements, but the undertone remained firm. Chief attention was centred in the Railway group, following the announcement by the Great Northern Co. of an increase in the Ordinary dividend from 1½ to 2¼ per cent. The Ordinary stock opened firm at 28, but rather heavy liquidation caused a reaction to 26½. Towards the close, however, the market firmed up to 27, the Preference hardened to 46, and the Guar. to 64.

Great Southern issues were sellers for choice; the Ord. drooped to 49½, the Guar. to 72½, and the Deb. gave way to 85½. The Pref. added a fraction at 49½.

There was good buying of Dublin Transport Ord. and Pref., and they both hardened to 25/3. Alliance Gas Ord., on renewed support, advanced to 23/6.

Home Government Funds held quietly steady, and 3½ p.c. War Loan moved up to 103⅝.

There was selective strong buying of Banks, Munster and Leinster jumped 1/6 to 131/6, and Nationals gained several pence at 49/-.

Guinness unlet encountered profit-taking, and slipped back to 127/9.

Draperies came in sellers, and the tone was dull in places. McBirney Ord. relapsed to 10/-, Pim Bros. Ord. fell 1/- to 11/-, and Todd, Burns Ord. shed pence at 16/6.

Braids Ord. tended higher to 37/9, and Burke Deb. to 129/6; but Browne and Nolan Pref. eased to 23/9. Irish Cinema Ord. hardened to 5/1¼, but Smyth Ord. ceased to 39/-.

Imperial Tobacco Ord. shaded off to 157/9, and Imperial Chemical Ord. to 37/10½, while Dunlop Rubbers quoted 39/9. Coats Ord. dipped to 46/3, while Sewing Cotton Ord. changed hands at 32/10½, and Hawker Siddeley Ord. at 18/6.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS

(*) Odd lot. (a) Asked. (b) Bid. (Previous prices in parentheses.)

GOVERNMENT FUNDS.—4 p.c. Conversion Loan (under £200) (111¾), 111¾; 4½ p.c. Land Bonds (116¾), 116¾. 3½ p.c. (under £200) (116¼), 116¼; 4 p.c. Land Bonds (under £200) (107¼), 107¼; Galway Harbour 4 p.c. (102), 102; 3½ p.c. War Loan (103⅜), 103⅜, 3½ p.c. (under £200) (103½), 103½; 4 p.c. Victory Bonds, 111⅛, 111⅛.

CORPORATION STOCKS.—Dublin 3½ p.c. 1965/83 (101), *101; Limerick 3½ p.c. (100), *100.

BANKS.—Munster and Leinster (130/-), 131/6; National (48/3), 49/-.

BREWERIES.—Cairnes Pref. (24/-), *24/-; Distillers Ord. (88/3), 89/-; Guinness Ord. (128/6), *128¾, 7/8; Power Deb. (22/10½), 22/10½.

RAILS, ETC.—Great Northern Ord. (26¼), 28, 7, 6¾, 6¾, 6¾, 6¾, 7, 7; do. Pref. (45¾), 46¾, 6, 6¼, 6½, do. Guaranteed (63¾), 64, 4, do. Deb. (82), *82; Great Southern Ord. (50), *49½; do. Pref. (49¼), *49¼, 9½; do. Guaranteed (73), 72½, 2½, do. Deb. (89½), 89¾, 8⅞; Dublin Transport Ord. (25/1½), 25/3; do. Pref. (25/1½), 25/4¾, 5/3; do. A Deb. (994), *994.

IRISH INDUSTRIALS.—Alliance Gas Ord. (23/10½), 23/6; Arnotts Ord. (105/-), *105/-; Braids Ord. (37/6), 37/9; Browne and Nolan Pref. (24/-), *23/9; Burke (E. and J.) Deb. (129/-), *129/6; Irish Cinema Ord. (5/-), 5/1¼; McBirney Ord. (10/10½), 10/-; do. Pref. (20/9), 20/9; Pim Bros. Ord. (12/-), *11/-; Smyth and Co. Ord. (39/3), 39/-; Sunbeam Wolsey Ord. (55/9), 56/9; do. Pref. (36/-), *36/-; 6/11½; Todd Burns Ord. (17/-), 16/6; Williams and Woods Ord. (30/-), 30/-; Woodington Pref. (19/6), 19/6.

BRITISH INDUSTRIALS. — Coats (7 and P.) (46/9), *46/3; Dunlop Rubbers (39/10½), *39/9; Eng. Sewing Cotton (32/9), 32/10½; Hawker Siddeley, 18/6; Imperial Chemical (58/4½), 37/10½; Imperial Tobacco 157/9; Randfontein Estates, 35/7½.

WHY IRISH SECURITIES ARE RISING

IRISH stocks and shares are going ahead with renewed vigour on the Dublin Stock Exchange at the present time, the chief reason being a shortage of good-class Industrials. Demand is persistent, and prices are forced upwards. Day after day it is the same story. Those with money lying idle are calling on their brokers and bankers with substantial buying orders for Irish securities. They are not put off by the uncertainties of the post-war period.

There is some gambling, but not much because all dealings are on a cash basis, and this curbs the activities of the speculator. The person with money to spare today wants to keep it at home for safety. As the leading Industrial shares often seem too dear the potential investor is exploring other sections of the market, and so it is that the lesser known shares have joined in the general advance. Very few companies are overlooked, and it is noticeable that there is good buying of shares which have bright post-war prospects like cement or builders providers.

Gilt-edged securities are also in great demand, especially Home Government Funds. Although the soundness of these stocks is unquestioned, investors must realise that present-day buyers stand to lose a considerable sum on redemption. For example, 5 p.c. Second National Loan is due for redemption at par in six years' time, and in any case not later than 1960. The current price is around 115. This section appeals to those people whose chief desire is safety first and safety all the time.

Since Drapery shares were mentioned here in December and again early this month, there has been further good buying in the market, and prices are still rising. Pims, however, are a dull exception, as buyers come forward to snatch handsome profits.

The general belief is that the annual reports which will be published in March, will show that the companies fared even better last year. In the case of Pim's there are high hopes of a payment on account of Preference dividend arrears. In the past month McBirney Ord. have more than doubled in value, the 1s. shares having touched 11s., compared with 5s.

The immediate outlook looks bright, but the difficulty of replenishing stocks will tend to increase as long as the war lasts. This fact, however, does not unduly worry the speculator, who is satisfied that the trade is doing exceptionally well just now.

MANCHESTER.—Bleachers, 10/4½; Dyers, 21/10½; "Slubbers," 6/3; Calico, 16/6; Coats, 47/-; Courtaulds, 52/6; Dunlop, 40/3; Cotton, 34/-; Velvet, 11/1½; Spinners, 22/6; Henry, 19/9; Turner and Newall, 78/3; Wall Paper Defd., 37/9.

Canal Dividend Up Again

THE directors of the Grand Canal Company recommend a final dividend of 2½ per cent. on the Ordinary shares, making, with the interim already paid, a total of 3½ per cent. for the year 1943.

This compares with 2½ per cent. for the previous year and 1¾ per cent. for 1941.

The carry forward is £3,178, compared with £3,020 brought in.

The £10 Ordinary Shares are quoted at 100/- and the 3 per cent. Preference at 120/-.

Conversion Loan to Be Repaid

The British Treasury announces that the Conversion Loan 5 p.c., 1944-'64, will be repaid at par on May 1st next. No new issue will be made to replace the loan, but the hope is expressed that those receiving repayment will re-invest in the "on tap" Government loans which are available to finance the war.

There is £61,869,748 of the Conversion Loan outstanding. It is estimated that only a small proportion of the loan is to-day held by the average investor. Large amounts are probably held by the banks and other financial institutions.

The present price is around 102¼, which is not far removed from par level when the half-year's interest is taken into consideration.

Northern Bank

The report and balance sheet of the Northern Bank, advertised to-day, shows that net profits last year rose from £265,805 to £281,246, although unchanged, the dividends are unchanged, and the carry-forward is increased by £5,859 to £79,384. Deposits have risen to over £24 millions sterling, bills and securities were slightly lower on the year at £6,756,695.

The results for the past two years are tabulated below:—

	1942.	1943.
	£	£
Net Profit	275,945	281,246
Dividend on "A"	9½%	9½%
Capital paid up	700,000	700,000
General and Special Reserve	800,000	800,000
To Contingency Account	30,000	30,000
Forward	73,525	79,384
Note Circulation	3,395,539	3,932,614
Deposits	21,452,489	24,149,204
Cash, etc.	6,736,824	8,004,732
Investments	13,196,582	13,811,191
Bills and Advances	6,897,098	6,756,695
Premises	291,366	288,585
Total Assets	26,178,570	29,488,831

British Funds a Good Market

British Funds were a good market yesterday, following the announcement of the repayment of the 5 p.c. Conversion Loan. The fact that no new loan is being created to replace this conversion issue made a favourable impression. Consols closed at 59⅞, War Loan 3½ p.c.'s at 103⅜, and War Loan 3 p.c.'s at 100⅛.

The improvement extended to other Investment issues, particularly the shares of the English banks, which, it is considered, may attract some of the Conversion Loan money from those who seek higher yields than those available on the Government "tap" issues.

Further improvement was seen in Argentine Railway stocks, although the advance was less pronounced than on the previous day. Considered the under-rates were inclined to weaken at the close. Argentine Bonds were also firm, while Brazilian Bonds were well held.

Apart from some further purchasing of Brewery stocks, business in the Industrial section was on a small scale.

Northern Bank Limited

Established 1st August, 1824.

CAPITAL AUTHORISED	£3,500,000
CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED	£2,500,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP	£700,000
GENERAL RESERVE FUND	£800,000
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND	£800,000
UNDIVIDED PROFITS	£79,384

BALANCE SHEET, 31st DECEMBER, 1943

CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Capital—Authorised and Issued: 275,000 Shares of £10 each, £2 paid	550,000 0 0	
75,000 B Shares of £10 each, £2 paid	150,000 0 0	
	£700,000 0 0	
General Reserve Fund	800,000 0 0	
Special Reserve Fund	300,000 0 0	
Notes in Circulation: Consolidated Bank Notes outstanding	£120,000 0 0	
Less Held by Bank	6,099 0 0	
	£113,901 0 0	
Other Notes	3,818,713 0 0	
	3,932,614 0 0	
Deposits, Current and other Accounts (including provision for Depreciation in Investments and Contingencies)	24,149,203 13 11	
Endorsements, Guarantees, Acceptances, Confirmed Credits, etc., as per contra	94,619 2 2	
Profit and Loss Account. Balance as per annexed Account, being undivided Profit	79,384 5 5	
(NOTE.—There is a contingent liability of £8,100 for uncalled Capital in respect of the shares of the Agricultural Credit Corporation, Ltd., which are guaranteed in regard to both Capital and Interest)		
	£29,455,831 1 6	

PROPERTY AND ASSETS.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Cash on Hand, Notes of other Banks, and Balances in London and with other Banks	8,004,731 15 2	
British Government Treasury Bills	500,000 0 0	
Investments—(including Securities lodged with the Central Bank of Ireland for Consolidated Bank Notes outstanding, as per contra)		
Securities of or guaranteed by the British Government, and Irish and Colonial Government Securities	13,001,119 16 7	
Corporation Stocks, Railway Debenture and Preference Stocks and other Stocks and Shares	810,070 18 4	
Bills discounted, Loans on Securities, Advances to Customers, etc.	6,756,694 12	
Bank Buildings—Head Office and Branches, at cost, less amounts written off	288,584 16 11	
Liabilities of Customers for Endorsements, Guarantees, Acceptances, Confirmed Credits, etc., as per contra	94,619 2 2	
	£29,455,821 1 6	

PROFIT & LOSS ACCOUNT for the Year ended 31st Dec., 1943

Dr.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	Cr.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
To Dividend paid 3rd August, 1943, less Income Tax	14,843 15 0		By Balance brought forward from 31st December, 1942	73,825 9 9	
„ Dividend payable 1st February, 1944, less Income Tax	14,843 15 0		„ Net Profit for the year ended 31st December, 1943, after making provision for bad and doubtful debts, interest due on deposits and rebate on bills not yet due	69,946 5 8	
	£29,687 10 0				
„ Contingency Account	30,000 0 0				
„ Amount appropriated in reduction of Bank Buildings..	4,000 0 0				
„ Balance, being undivided profit carried forward to next Account	79,384 5 5				
	£143,071 15 5			£143,071 15 5	

W. F. SCOTT,
F. W. WHITE,
H. J. CRAIG,
J. E. FORDE, } Directors.

HUGH MURPHY, Secretary.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE NORTHERN BANK LIMITED, BELFAST.

We have verified the correctness of the Cash and Notes on hand at the Head Office, and have examined the Securities held against the money at call and short notice, and also those representing the investments of the Bank. We have examined the foregoing Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account with the Books of the Company, and the certified returns from the Branches, and, having obtained all the information and explanations we have required, we beg to report that in our opinion such Accounts are properly drawn up, so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Company's affairs, according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us, and as shewn by the Books of the Company.

HILL, VELLACOTT & CO., Chartered Accountants, } Auditors.

Finsbury Circus House, London, E.C.2, 13th January, 1944.

COMPANY MEETING

NATIONAL BANK'S DEPOSITS AT RECORD HIGH LEVEL

THE annual general meeting of the National Bank, Limited, was held yesterday at 13 Old Broad street, London. Mr. Michael J. Clarke, Chairman, presided. After calling upon the Secretary to read the notice convening the meeting, and the certificate and report of the auditors, he said:—

Ladies and Gentlemen,—With your permission, I propose to follow our usual practice and to take as read the Directors' report which, together with the balance sheet and profit and loss account, has been in your hands for some days; and, if you will be good enough to refer to the balance sheet, I will explain briefly the more important changes which have taken place since we met twelve months ago.

On the liabilities side, the paid-up capital remains unchanged at £1,500,000, and you will observe that, including an appropriation of £10,000 from last half-year's profits, the reserve fund has increased to £1,190,000.

MORE CUSTOMERS

Notes in circulation at £1,478,000 show a decrease on the year of some £40,000 which, as I have mentioned on a previous occasion, is due to the gradual reduction of the consolidated note issues of the banks, in accordance with the provisions of the Central Bank Act.

The amount due by the bank on deposit, current and other accounts has increased during the year by some £4,932,000 to the present total of £49,387,000. This figure is a record high level for the bank, as is the balance sheet total of £53,900,000, and represents a continuance of the trend to which I referred twelve months ago. I am pleased also to be able to report that the growth in deposits has been accompanied by a further increase in the number of our customers, the rise during the year having been the largest for many years.

Turning now to the assets side, and taking first the advances and bills discounted (together the most remunerative outlet for bank funds), you will find that a decrease in these two items has occurred of, approximately, £1,164,000, which, when added to the rise in deposits which I have already mentioned, gives the approximate sum which has become available for employment. The policy of maintaining a high degree of liquidity, which I have explained on former occasions, remains necessary, and, accordingly, additions have been made to the cash in hand and money at call of some £2,142,000, and to Government securities, etc., of approximately £4,007,000.

The only other items to which I need allude are the contra one in respect of customers' acceptances, which stands at £300,000, and bank premises, which shows a further reduction of some £36,000, owing to the absence, under war conditions, of any opportunity for re-building or for major renovations.

From the profit and loss account you will observe that it is proposed to pay a dividend at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum, and to transfer £10,000 to reserve fund and £10,000 to bank premises, leaving the balance to be carried forward at some £43,000.

WORK WELL DONE

I am sure you will share the gratification felt by the directors in being able to place before you such substantial evidence of progress, and, having regard to the lessened demand for advances, the low yield on investments, and rising operating costs, the half-year's results may be regarded with satisfaction.

Before concluding, I should like, on behalf of the directors and myself (and, I am sure, I may include the shareholders), to express thanks to the staff for another year's work well and ably performed, notwithstanding the difficulties of prevailing conditions, with which we are all familiar, and which have been so successfully overcome.

I now beg to move the adoption of the report and statement of accounts, and will ask Sir George Murphy to second it. Before putting the resolution formally to the meeting I shall be glad to give any information or answer any inquiries which may be made.

The balance sheet was unanimously adopted, and the three retiring directors, Sir George P. Murphy, Bt.; Captain the Hon. H. E. Fitzalan-Howard, and Edward H. Walpole, Esq., were unanimously re-elected. The auditors were also duly re-elected. A vote of thanks to the directors was proposed by Colonel E. G. Concannon and seconded by Sir Charles R. B. Hanson, Bt.

Commission on Social Policy Suggested

A COMMISSION to inquire into the whole question of social services in Eire was suggested in the Senate yesterday by Sir John KEANE, when the Children's Allowances Bill passed all its stages.

Discussing the question whether the best value is being obtained for the ten millions, roughly, being spent on social services, Sir John Keane said that if the Government was in sympathy with that approach it ought to appoint such a commission, with a view, possibly, to bringing all the existing services within the purview of one Minister, but certainly to consider the situation with a fresh mind, and without regard to what now was being done, in order that a long-term scheme could be drawn up. At the same time such a body could inquire into the relationship of State and voluntary charitable services.

The idea of unified social services was supported by Dr .ROWLETTE, who questioned the effect of the allowances on wages, and warned Labour members that they might regret their assistance in making the bill law.

"A BAD BILL"

Senator TIERNEY expressed the view that it was a bad bill, calculated to do very little good and a great deal of harm. He insisted that the Christian social ideal was a family wage, and said that anything short of it was only a palliative, which, while doing temporary good, was likely, in the long run, to do more harm than good. He urged a complete inquiry into all social services in the shortest possible time.

The MINISTER FOR INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE held that the system in this country involves a standard wage which makes no allowance whatever for a person's productivity or his family state, and that in the case of large families poverty and hardship were inevitable unless the income of the household could be supplemented. The need for such supplementary income existed irrespective of whether there was an increase of national productivity by economic measures or whether it was achieved by the ideal of full employment for all workers seeking employment. He emphasised the relationship between social and economic policy, observing that social policy could not be allowed to run ahead of economic potentiality any more than economic policy should be allowed to develop without regard to the social consequences. "We cannot hope to build up here the full system of social protection which many people regard as desirable unless we can as a prior condition make our plans for economic development successful and get as a result the resources wherewith to do it."

The Minister added that he could see little value in having a Commission of Inquiry into social policy, because the Government was not in a position to give it the scientific data and reliable information which would enable them to add to their store of knowledge.

Changes of Name

Mr. O'Driscoll (Crumlin), speaking on resolutions dealing with aliens, at the Fine Gael Ard Fheis yesterday, argued that aliens who changed their names by deed poll should be compelled to use their original names in business.

The resolutions were referred to the Standing Committee.

IMPORTANT DECISIONS BY IRISH GOLFING UNION

MATTERS of considerable interest to Irish golfers, professionals as well as amateurs, were dealt with at the annual meeting in Dublin of the Central Council of the Golfing Union of Ireland. Mr. T. P. Toher, president, occupied the chair.

It was reported by the hon. secretary (Mr. A. B. Kidd) that, despite losses due to the war, the number of clubs affiliated was now 214, the highest on record. Several entirely new clubs had been formed in 1943. It was agreed that club subscriptions and contributions to the General Purposes Fund should remain unaltered, and that, in the event of there being no championships in 1944, a sum not exceeding £250 should be allocated for competition under handicap among Irish professionals.

The report of the hon. treasurer (Mr. W. F. Neill), while showing a small adverse balance on the year's working, mentioned that since the accounts were closed outstanding subscriptions and contributions to the General Purposes Fund had been received, and these would more than cover the loss. The report was adopted.

The meeting adopted, by 9 votes to 8, a motion submitted by the Ulster Branch asking the Central Council to take steps after the war to investigate the possibility of restoring the balance between the power of the golf ball and the lengths of courses to that of a former period in the history of the game, and, if it seemed likely to achieve this result, to inquire into the use of synthetic rubber in the manufacture of golf balls. It was resolved to forward the resolution to the Joint Advisory Council of the British Golf Unions.

Another resolution submitted by the Ulster Branch recommending the creation of a pensions fund for qualified members of the Irish Professional Golfers' Association by means of voluntary subscriptions of 1/- per head from members of affiliated clubs was adopted.

In seconding this resolution, the hon. secretary said he had been responsible for having it brought forward at the Ulster Branch. He visualised the eventual adoption of an even bigger scheme, namely, a compulsory levy of 1/- per golfer for five years, or 6d. per golfer for 10 years, with the idea of establishing a fund of about £5,000 as a superannuation or pensions fund. It might be possible to incorporate this fund with the existing Benevolent Fund, the whole scheme to be managed by a committee of the Golfing Union of Ireland.

The meeting agreed with the principles and ideals outlined by the hon. secretary; but decided it was not at present prepared to consider a compulsory levy. It accepted, however, a suggestion by Mr. Kidd that gate money should be charged at the Irish professional championship and exhibition matches by Irish professionals, the receipts to go to the Benevolent Fund.

Mr. Toher intimated his desire to relinquish the presidency, having completed his official term of office (two years), but was persuaded to continue in office, and was elected for another two years.

Various positions were re-elected, with the substitution of the names of Dr. J. D. MacCormack and Mr. F. J. Byrne as members of the Open Championship of Ireland Committee, for those of Mr. H. M. Cairnes and Mr. F. H. Rogers.

A notice of motion that past presidents should be elected honorary vice-presidents was given by Mr. Henderson.

"Irish Relatives" Clause Void

Having no evidence to assist him to know what the late Charles Scot Bayley, Stockdale, Co. Cork, meant in his will by "his

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"DAWN ON THE GREAT DIVIDE."

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PAVILION Dun Laoghaire.
At 3.54, 6.54, 8.54.
BETTY GRABLE,
George Montgomery, Cesar Romero, in
"CONEY ISLAND."
In Technicolor.

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The Irish Times

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28, 1944.

Denmark and Ireland

"It is our climatic advantages which primarily are the cause of our relative economic and social disadvantages, since they permit us, though they do not compel us, to adopt a system of agriculture which has led to a declining population, to a heavy emigration, to a low agricultural productivity, to restricted activity in agriculture, in industry, in commerce, and in foreign trade, and to a lack of opportunity for profitable domestic investment of our capital resources."

What evidence can be adduced to support that apparently paradoxical conclusion? Does it rest on a balanced and impartial survey of all the facts which are pertinent to the state of agriculture in Denmark and in our twenty-six counties? If so, does it not present a body of problems beside which other questions pertaining to post-war reconstruction shrink into comparative insignificance? In plainer words, if we persist in allowing nature's gifts of favourable climate and abundantly fertile soil to be treated, in effect, as liabilities, rather than as reproductive assets, what hope can there be of a healthy and progressive national balance sheet? Let us briefly examine some of the facts on which such a deeply disturbing paradox rests. They were presented to a recent meeting of the Statistical and Social Inquiry Society by Dr. J. P. Beddy, who is the Secretary of the Industrial Credit Company. Comparing "the principal economic features of Eire and Denmark," the author dealt with conditions as they were up to the outbreak of war. In doing so, he contrived to throw new light on bodies of facts with which economists doubtless have been familiar, but whose collective significance yet has to gain general acceptance. From Dr. Beddy's admirable exposition we select a few of his more striking comparisons, in the hope that they may induce our readers to pursue more exhaustive studies of phenomena which are of such deep and immediate importance to the future of Ireland. Says Dr. Beddy:

"Denmark is not only a smaller country than Eire, but her climate is less equable, her soils are in general lighter and poorer; she has no coal or no water-power to compensate for its absence; nor has she any iron or other metallic ores to serve as a basis for industrial activities. Yet she has a bigger population, a greater agricultural output, a more extensive industrial system, a larger foreign trade, a lower national debt, a higher national income, and a better standard of living."

When the author proceeded to establish these conclusions by a detailed examination of facts and figures, some truly startling comparisons appeared. Among them was the fact that, while the population of Denmark was about half that of the twenty-six counties sixty years ago, it now is very considerably higher. While the number of Ireland's rural residents continued to diminish sharply, that of Denmark's increased, and her urban dwellers rose to five times the numbers of sixty years ago. Concurrently with that advance in industrial populations, Danish agriculture continued so to make headway that her exports of eggs, butter and bacon rose to £40,000,000, as against our corresponding exports of £5,000,000 annually. Then comes the interesting fact that the average Danish cow's annual yield of milk was 640 gallons, as compared with 400 gallons from the Irish animal. Together with these, and other, advances in agriculture Danish manufacturing industries absorbed 460,000 employees, or three times the number so engaged in the twenty-six counties. Other indications of the way in which agriculture and industries have been interwoven for their mutual benefit may be found in pictures of the average Danish farmstead. In 1938 Denmark had a telephone to every ten or eleven persons, as against our one for every hundred persons; and in nearly all rural homes there were supplies of electricity. As against 73,000 electric motors employed on farmsteads, Ireland had less than 200. In all, the total number of engines and other mechanical appliances used in agriculture was five times greater than those so employed at home. Comparisons of capital advanced for agricultural purposes are not less striking. In Denmark the figure was £180,000,000, almost all of which was furnished by agricultural credit societies and non-commercial lending agencies. In the twenty-six counties a total of about £12,000,000 was estimated by the Banking Commission as the advances made to farmers by Irish joint-stock banks. Let us repeat that these are merely characteristic examples of the tables of statistical facts on which Dr. Beddy has built up a series of conclusions, with the substance of which it is impossible to disagree. Free from any suspicion of propagandist intent, his facts and his conclusions present a grave indictment of an agricultural system which has not unfairly been described as "the opening and shutting of gates." Like Sir Horace Plunkett, he has tried to show us a better way. Will his counsels gain a better hearing?

The Guinea Stamp

A taxi-driver has been fined by a North London magistrate for refusing to take a workman as fare. The taxi-driver's inequitable business methods were made the subject of a severe little homily from the magistrate, who pointed out that if all taxi-drivers were to make a means test, based on the general cut of their prospective passengers' clothes, numerous middle-class workers would be left in the lurch. The revelation of such innate snobbery in the soul of one of the working classes is a little surprising. To do the man full justice, his objection to the proletariat probably springs not so much from excessive class-consciousness as from a desire for money. As taxi fares are controlled, we must suppose that this mercenary driver regards a well-dressed passenger as more likely to be the donor of a generous "tip" than the shabbily-attired labourer—a supposition which leads one to deduce that the little extra sum placed in a taxi-driver's hand by courteous passengers at the end of a trip is his main source of revenue. Otherwise, the reasoning of the driver in question seems to be curiously at fault. Even if expensive clothes may be regarded as indications of wealth—a questionable conclusion—there is surely no justification for the assumption that a wealthy man is more likely to be generous than a poor man. It is a positive fact, and one that will be confirmed by any hotel "boots," that the most assured "tips" come from ordinary, average citizens. A cigar-smoking baronet may, in a moment of generosity, leave a parting gift of 10s., but, on the other hand, it is not an uncommon thing that such aristocrats should neglect these little social obligations altogether. Finally, there have been many persons of great wealth and distinction who never have dressed the part—to say nothing of the eccentric millionaires, beloved of fiction, who have dressed as tramps and tinkers. It is possible that by the refusing of transport to the meanly-clothed, this sordid taxi-driver has deprived himself of a seven-figure legacy.

LADY MAHON, who arrived in Dublin this week, accompanied by her son, from Castlegar, Abascragh, has left for England. Her son has returned to Castlegar.

Major Perceval Maxwell has arrived in Dublin from Inch Lodge, Downpatrick, Co. Down, and is staying at the Shelbourne Hotel.

Captain J. C. R. Prior Wandesforde, who arrived in Dublin this week from Yorkshire, has left for Castlecomer House.

Major and Mrs. Cecil Wilkins have arrived in Dublin from New Abbey, Kilcullen.

Pilsworth—Eccles—The engagement is announced between Dr. Thomas Neville Pilsworth, elder son of Mr. T. E. and the late Mrs. Pilsworth, of Kilranalagh, Co. Wicklow, Eire, and Margaret Eileen Eccles, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Eccles, of White Lee, Bentinck road, Altrincham.

Mr. Douglas Montgomery, F.R.C.S.I., 42 Fitzwilliam place, has left Dublin for an indefinite period.

Dr. E. A. Magennis has returned to 70 Merrion square.

Cinderella Dance, Mansion House, to-night, 8-12, in aid of Mary Cosgrave Memorial; sketches and novelties. Admission 2/6.

Switzers are offering a number of exceptional values in Ladies' Gloves: Natural Washable Doeskin—7/11; Reversible hand-made Wool Gloves—8/11; Fine quality Washable Imitation Hogskin—9/11, and assorted String Gloves—3/6. (No coupons required.)

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Choice range of Furs of Quality, made from selected skins. Specialists in Renovating and Cleaning.—Model Fur Co., 51 Grafton street.

Tarlo's Sale this week only. Coats and Costumes, good quality garments, at reduced prices.—23 Dame street.

Have your last year's models cut down for your children, and save coupons, at Smart Juniors, 23 Molesworth street.

Sharpley's, Specialists, Baby Linen, Nursery Accouchement Sets. Price List—2 Nassau street, Dublin.

THOM'S DIRECTORY

Westmoreland street used to be plain Westmoreland street in Thom's Directory. In the 1944 edition just published it is that, plus Sraid an Fhelstighe, and the name of every other street is also given with its Irish equivalent.

This is only one of the changes by which this great Dublin institution keeps abreast of the changes in Ireland's social, political and economic life. The Dublin street section, which takes up a large part of the directory's 2,500 pages, has continued to expand. Slowing down of building has resulted in fewer new houses, but the number of changes of address is much larger than usual. The results of the general election have been fully recorded, and many new biographical notices appear in the list of members of the Dail and Senate.

Another important new section gives a classified list of manufacturers of Irish goods, which includes both North and South, and runs from absorbent cotton wool to zip fasteners. The compilers are to be congratulated on the vigour shown by this publication, now in its 102nd year.

ROYAL ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY MEETING

Dr. Stanley Kemp, F.R.S., Director of the Marine Biological Laboratory, Plymouth, will give a lecture on "Animal Life in the Antarctic" at the annual meeting of the Royal Zoological Society of Ireland, to be held in the College of Surgeons on Monday next, at 4 p.m.

Dr. Kemp, who is a graduate of Trinity College, Dublin, and was at one time in the Irish Department of Fisheries, directed the research programme of the "Discovery" cruises in the Antarctic, and has an unrivalled knowledge of the animals of the southern oceans.

ONLY THREE ATTENDED

The career of the once vigorous Railways' Protection Association, whose collective voice on transport problems often rang through the Mansion House in the early '30's, came to an end yesterday in an office in Dame street. The three surviving members of the committee met and decided to hand over the small balance of funds to the active Great Southern Railways Shareholders' Protection Association, whose chairman is The O'Callaghan. Despite notices in the Press, none of the other members of this Association turned up for the final meeting.

Cork Appointments.—South Infirmary, Cork, Committee of Management has appointed the Rev. R. Fitzgerald, Adm. of Fisherstreet, South, in succession to the Very Rev. Canon O'Brien, Bow P.P., Kilnaglory. Dr. Sheehan was unanimously re-appointed junior house surgeon.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

THE LAST OF THE BARDS

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES

SIR,—As an admirer of the art of O'Carolan, I was greatly interested to read, in the London Letter in your issue of January 26th, that there is preserved in South Kensington Museum a facsimile of a letter from Beethoven, stating that, had O'Carolan (1670-1738), the last of the Irish bards, received a Continental music training he would have been the greatest ornamenst of the school of Irish music. This was a remarkable tribute from the great master.

In the *Ardagh and Clonmacnoise Antiquarian Society's Journal*, 1932, there are references to over two hundred tunes composed by O'Carolan, which have been preserved. Truly a wonderful output from a blind harper! It may be interesting to know what one of O'Carolan's harps, still in good condition, is placed in a glass case at Clonalis, Castlerea, Co. Roscommon, the seat of O'Conor Don.—Yours, etc.

H. FRANKLIN.

Sligo, January 27th, 1944.

REFUGEE CHILDREN

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—I am afraid that anyone reading your report of the Seanad proceedings on Wednesday would infer that I was seeking an allowance for three refugee children who were living with me, whereas in fact my amendment would have the opposite effect.

My amendment asked that any child who was living here temporarily would not be a qualified child under the terms of the Act, and in the course of debate I asked also that children of non-nationals living here would come under the same category.

Your report would lead one to believe that the illustration I used in support of my amendment was for selfish and personal reasons, and in times like these, when people are only too glad to avail themselves of an opportunity to throw bricks at legislators, I trust in fairness to myself that your report will not be allowed to pass without this clarification.—Yours, etc.,

FRANK HUGH O'DONNELL.

Leinster House, Dublin, January 27th, 1944.

CHURCH SERVICES

For list of Church Services see Page 4.

SPANISH CABINET DECISION

A MEETING of the Spanish Cabinet is expected to be followed by an important announcement, according to a Spanish broadcast, which is quoted by Reuter. No information is available as to the nature of the Cabinet talks.

Railway accidents, which occurred recently in the country, were discussed at an earlier meeting of the Cabinet, and it was decided to deal with possible cases of negligence or faulty material with the greatest vigour, to increase legal measures for compensation to the next-of-kin of victims, and to take energetic measures guaranteeing the normal functioning of the railways.

General Jordana, Foreign Minister, in an interview yesterday with the Falangist paper, *Arriba*, condemned acts of sabotage, which did "harm to Spain and her friendly relations with other countries." Spain was prepared to deal with the greatest severity with foreigners trying to disturb her internal peace or interfere with her policy, he said.

"The harm which sabotage has caused Spain and her commerce and friendly relations with other countries is enough to cause the instigators to be included among her enemies."

BLAME FOR WOMEN'S GRIEVANCES

An inferiority complex, too much respect for male opinion, prudishness and a lack of team-spirit among women are some of the main things wrong with Irish women.

At a meeting of the Women's Social and Progressive League last night housewives, teachers, nurses and doctors were among those who discussed these faults and suggested remedies.

Some speakers were of the opinion that most of the trouble was women's own fault. Mothers, in particular, were blamed for making a distinction between the boys and girls of the family; it was stated that Irish women would put up with anything not only for themselves, but for their children; they were not prepared to make big sacrifices, except when their men were attacked. Very few would do it for women.

Co-education was a solution given. Others were the improvement of homes, so that family slavery would be overcome; equal education for boys and girls.

Mrs. Kettle said that Irish women had concentrated for so long on the national effort that they were in danger of losing the rights that had been won. English women had achieved a good deal more than women in Ireland, although they had got the vote later.

EDUCATION OFFICER

Mr. Martin N. Gleeson has been appointed Chief Executive Officer to the City of Dublin Vocational Education Committee. Educated at Rockwell and Blackrock Colleges, he was trained as a primary teacher at St. Patrick's Training College, Drumcondra. He gained a Higher Diploma in Education, B.Comm. (Honours) and M.A. at National University. He was appointed Principal of Marino Technical Institute in 1936, and became Director of Comhairle le Leas Oige in 1942.

CHURCH OF IRELAND

At a meeting of the Diocesan Council of Dublin, the following were elected as a Committee of Management of the Diocesan Hall, Baggotrath, for the ensuing year:—The Archbishop of Dublin, the Dean of Christ Church, the Rev. F. E. Byrn, Mr. Rupert Mc. Dillon, Mr. R. Burgess, M.R.I.A., Mr. P. Somerville Large, Mr. J. S. Robinson and Mrs. Miller, with power to add to their number. The Archbishop presided.

LIBERIA JOINS ALLIES

The British Government, it was stated in London yesterday, has been informed that on Wednesday the Government of Liberia declared war on Germany and Japan.

Liberia, the negro republic in West Africa, was founded nearly a hundred years ago by freed American slaves, and in 1942 President Edwin Barclay and his Government entered into a military alliance with the United States, which placed on America the responsibility for Liberia's defence.

DEATH.

McCORNACK—January 27, 1944, at her aunt's residence, 14 Coolmoyne Park, Belfast, Mary Kathleen, youngest daughter of the late Robert McCormack, Lough Ryan, Co. Leitrim. Funeral to family burying ground, Carrigallen, to-morrow (Saturday), January 29th, arriving Killeshandra Parish Church 1 p.m. At rest.

CRUISKEEN LAWN

By Myles na gCopaleen

I GET a lot of praise for the things printed here. Mostly letters, but quite occasionally I receive a telegram of congratulation and encouragement. But I don't know. Good, of course, it undoubtedly is. But it doesn't satisfy me. (The artist, you know). No, I can do better.

This Country Cottage

Recently there was an announcement in the newspapers of a competition for the design of 'an ideal country cottage' (not an impossible country cottage) 'suited to the ordinary man and his family in Ireland.' Mmmmm. Hmmm. We of the *Irish Times* took on this project with a suave smile that masks panic and disillusionment. Readers will recall that the last competition of this sort held in this country was for a shelter to house some Hindustan Commissars in Kildare street (there beyond the Duke's House). The inference is terribly obvious. Hi-Hu runs, May Read, after all. It is simply this: that interesting Waterford family, the Powers ((Thatsbie branch) have, apparently, decided that the supreme architectonic expressions of the conjectural quasi-ethnic group which we have invented are (a) palaces for loyal workaday coolies where they may be sheltered during their chore-hours and, complementarily, (b) cottages wherein these 'people' may propagate. It is very fine, very appropriate and very.....Irish, but.... but... what of... us, who are old-fashioned (enough) to regard ourselves as extraordinary men, who hold that neither our wives, our children nor ourselves can be pressed into the humiliating piece-work of civil-serfdom, who decline to leave Ailesbury Road to satisfy the whim of a rebel junta and to whom the word cottage conveys.....absolutely nothing I mean wot is eet old man?

And another thing. One notes that the competition is being confined to architects. Surely . . . surely this is a mistake. Is not Francis Johnston dead; Gandon, Cooley, Cassel, where are they? Is it not a trifle . . . pessimistic to restrict the competition so that only . . . corpses may compete?

(Of course, I, May B. Rouen).

Another German Lesson

Sir Isaac Newton's temperI is said (*soll*) to have been so equal2 and mild that no accident could disturb3 it; a remarkable instance of which (*davon*) is related, as (*wie*) follows: Sir Isaac had a favourite5 little dog, which he called Diamond. Being one evening called out of his study6 into the next room, Diamond remained behind (*blieb D. zurück*). When Sir Isaac returned, having7 been absent but a few minutes, 2he 1had the mortification8 to find that Diamond had overturned9 a lighted10 candle among some papers, which were the nearly finished out labour of many years. The papers, soon were (*standen*) in flames, and (were) almost consumed12 to ashes. This loss13, 2from14 Newton's advanced age, 1was irreparable15; but, without punishing the dog, 2he 1ex-claimed: "O, Diamond! you (*du*) don't know what mischief16 you have done!"

1. Das Gemüt. 2. gleichmütig. 3. stören. 4. Beispiel. 5. ein Liebling-shündchen. 6. Studier'zimmer. 7. nachdem er aur. 8. den Verdruchs. 9. umgeworfen. 10. brennend. 11. vollendet. 12. zu Asche verbrannt. 13. der Verlust. 14. wegen N.'s hohen Alters. 15. unersetzlich. 16. das Unheil.

—*Otto's Conversation Grammar.*

"BUTTER RATION AT STAKE"

"The continuance of our daily butter ration was at stake," said Mr. George Bennett, T.D. (Limerick), when moving resolutions at the Fine Gael Ard Fheis yesterday calling on the Government to increase the price of milk at the creameries to at least 1s. per gallon, and viewing with concern the serious position of the dairying industry. Unless some inducement was held out to farmers to continue dairying, he said, they would soon have the ration cut from six to four ounces. While people told them that the dairying industry was prospering, a local Limerick paper recently carried advertisements offering forty dairy farms for sale.

Senator Madden (Limerick) said that the perilous position of the dairying industry would affect wheat production, because there would eventually be a shortage of manures.

Mr. T. Hughes, T.D., said that the country had a monopoly in the dairy stock trade with Britain. That trade could be substantially improved if the Beveridge Report was implemented, because then people in England would be drinking more milk. The Government had completely neglected the dairying industry, and they could not compete with countries which had established a level of production all the year round.

Opposing a resolution calling on the Government to grant a substantial subsidy for every acre of land tilled, Mr. T. Linehan, T.D. (Carlow) said he did not believe that the average hard-working farmer desired it. Apparently, he said, Clann na Talmhan had made up its mind that there was no possible future for agriculture unless it was pampered and spoon-fed with doles. But, then, if Clann na Talmhan could really claim to represent the rural community—and he doubted it—agriculture in the country was as dead as a door nail.

Mrs. Collins O'Driscoll expressed alarm at the number of young cows being exported from the country.

Resolutions covering all the points raised were passed.

FILM CENSORSHIP IN 1943

During the past year the Irish Film Censor had before him 1,314 films, measuring 3,230,842 feet. Of these 819 were passed, 381 were cut and 96 rejected. On appeal to the Censorship of Films Appeal Board seven rejections were confirmed, eight passed with cuts, and in three cases the Censor's decision was reversed. The great majority of the films were of drama and variety. Of 330 interest and topical films 220 were passed, 67 cut and 24 rejected. Educational films numbered 53, of which 52 were passed and one cut.

MASONIC GIRLS' SCHOOL

The Board of Governors of the Masonic Girls' School will meet at the Schoolhouse, Ballsbridge, on Tuesday, at 9 o'c. Breakfast will be served at 8.30.

LEGAL DIARY

LAW NOTICES—Friday, January 28.

THE SUPREME COURT, 11.—The State (Gettins) v. the Circuit Court Judge, North-western Circuit (part heard); Ashley v. Byrne, case stated (re-entered on further Motion).

THE HIGH COURT.—In Court 1—The President, 11.—At the conclusion of Wards of Court, Probate Motions. In Court 2—Mr. Justice Haugh, 1.45. Motion—Beaumont v. Figgis (at hearing). In Court 3—Mr. Justice Overend, 11.—At the conclusion of the Bankruptcy (ist.). Case stated (to be mentioned)—Cork County Council v. Commrs. of Public Works.

THE MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT, 11.—Motions of Course. Summonses. Motions on Notice. Bankrupts, 12.

CIRCUIT CRIMINAL COURT.—At Green Street Courthouse, Dublin, 11—Jurors to be called to attend.

DISTRICT COURT OF JUSTICE.—Before Judge Davis, at the Law Courts, Chancery place, 11.—Civil actions.

ON THE WIRELESS

IRISH PROGRAMME

1.0-1.40—Concert. 1.40-1.45—News and Stock Exchange. 1.45-2.30—Concert (continued). 2.30—Scothar Bireannach (gCeis.)." 3.20—Irish Music. 3.40—Stock Exchange Spares. 3.45—News. 3.55—Trasna na Tuaithe. 4.5—Duets for Two Dances: Norees O'Neill and Olive Williams. 4.25—Interlude. 4.30—"An Phib is'e na Rantaibh." 5.45—Wexford Male Voice Choir Recital, relayed from Town Hall, Wexford. 6.15—Café Continental." 8.30—"Week End in the Garden." G. O. Sherrard. 9.45—Irish Music and Musicians. 10.5—Nuacht. 10.15—News. 10.30—"Serenade for Sleep."

B.B.C. PROGRAMMES

HOME SERVICE

293.5 m. (1474 kc/s), 391.1 m (767 kc/s), 449.1 m. (668 kc/s), 48.84 m. (6.15 mc/s).

7.0—News. 7.15—"Daily Dozen." 7.30—Dellus. 7.45—"Lift Up Your Hearts." 8.0—News. 8.15—Kitchen Front. 8.30—"Song and Dance." 8.45—Balakirev Tamara. 9.5 — Schools. 9.30—Lewis Bridgwater Quintet. 9.45—For Welsh Schools. 10.5—Schools. 10.15—Service. 10.30—"We Present." 10.45—"Happy Children." 11.0—Schools. 12.0—Schubert: Elegy in A minor. 12.15—"Farming To-day." 12.30—Break for Music. 1.0—News. 1.15—Orchestra. 2.0—Schools. 3.0—Music While You Work. 3.30—Voice and Strings. 3.55—"A Country Calendar." 4.15—Scottish Orchestra. 5.0—News in Welsh. 5.20—Children's Hour. 6.0—News. 6.30—"Woman's Page." 6.50—String Orchestra. 7.30—"Life and the Theatre." 8.0—Sydney Howard in "Just Sydney." 8.15—"The River." 9.0—News. 9.30—To-night's Talk. 9.35—"Through the Year." 10.30—Band. 10.45—News in Gaelic. 10.55—Personal Choice. 11.0—"What Shall It Be?" 11.15—Dance Orchestra. 12.0—News.

ALTERNATIVE SERVICE

296.1 m. (1013 kc/s), 342.1 m. (877 kc/s).

6.30—"Reveille!" 7.0—News. 7.15—Robinson Cleaver. 7.35—Orchestra. 8.0—News. 8.15—Kitchen Front. 8.30—Music of Scotland. 8.50—Douglas Reeve: Organ. 9.10 — Piano Music, played by Bertha Nagart. 9.30—Sweet and Hot." 10.5—The Martins Players. 10.30—Music While You Work. 11.0—"Coffee for Two." 11.30—Folk Songs, sung by Margaret Bissett (contralto). 11.40—John Bee (organ). 12.0—Ivy Benson and her Band. 12.30—Break for Music. 1.0—News. 1.15—War Commentary. 1.30—Solos and Selections. 2.0—"Top-o'-the-Bill." 2.30—London Studio Players. 3.0—Music While You Work. 3.30—"Forces Favourites." 4.0—"Share they Called It Oireland." 4.15—Scottish Orchestra. 5.0—Jack Payne. 5.30—"Marching On." 6.0—News. 6.30—Records Selected Played. 6.45—"Ben Sees It Through." 7.0—News from Canada. 7.5—Variety from North Africa. 7.35—"These You Have Loved." 8.15—"Band Call." 9.0—News. 9.30—Charlie McCarthy Programme. 9.45—The Week's Question. 9.55—"Fantasia." 10.15—"Two Years in Soviet Russia." 10.30—Music While You Work. 11.0—Close down.

FORTY YEARS AS LIGHTHOUSE-KEEPER

Mr. W. Friel, after 40 years' service as principal keeper of Inishtrahull Lighthouse, twelve miles off Ireland's most northerly point in Co. Donegal, has resigned.

He will be replaced by Mr. J. Scott, at present marooned on Blackrock Lighthouse, off the Mayo coast. Meanwhile the duties of Inistrahull will be temporarily carried out by T. Lawlor, who has many years' service on the island. Although the staff is seldom marooned, the relief boat is now a week overdue. An attempt to reach the island yesterday failed, but signals indicated that supplies have not yet run short.

SIXTEENTH CENTURY SOCIAL STANDARDS

The possession of land held in common by rural dwellers had tended towards social security among the masses, said Mr. James Nolan in a paper on "The Social Results of the Reformation," read last night at a meeting of An Riaghacht, held at Veritas House, Dublin, under the direction of the Rev. F. Walsh, S.J. While the standard of living at the time of the Reformation had been poor, he said, compared with ours of to-day, there had been very little extreme pauperism. There had been employment for those who wanted to work.

IRISH WILLS

Robert James Ogden, M.D., Pont House, Almonsbury, Huddersfield, Yorkshire, left £5,137 (Eire); Mrs. Mary Burke (widow), The Square, Rathkeale, Co. Limerick, £2,113 (Eire); Thomas J. McDonagh, Austin Friars street, Mullingar, £1,299 (Eire); Mrs. Dorothy Blew Ogden, Hill Blow, Liss, Hampshire, £1,703 (Eire), and John Beattie, Dublin road, Dundalk, £1,273 (Eire).

Hugh Taylor Coulter, 2 Inverary avenue, Belfast—£43,928 (Britain); Michael McGinty, 3 Martimo road, Blackrock, Dublin—£5,416 (Britain); John Gorman, Ardeevin, Athboy, Co. Meath—£13,287 (Britain); Mrs. Lillie Jane Fenton, Kilbroney House, Rostrevor—£10,481 (Britain); the Rev. John Henry Mervyn, M.A., 3 Donegall Park avenue, Belfast—£4,055 (Britain), and Dame Sybil Mary Ashleton-Smith, daughter of the late Lieut.-Colonel Henry W. Verschoyle, Kiberry, Co. Kildare, left £111,748 (Britain).

Charles McKenny (company director), Bayview House, Drogheda—£44,371 (Eire); James Gordon Franks, Roseneath, Malahide—£7,300 (Eire); Mrs. Matilda Ussher, Cabra road, Dublin—£1,943 (Eire); Mrs. Frances Rose Higgins (widow), Relick, Ballymacargy, Westmeath—£1,339 (Eire).

PRESENTATION TO CLERGYMAN

At a meeting in St. Kevin's Parochial Hall, Dublin, the Rev. Martin Parsons, who has recently been appointed Secretary to the Hibernian Church Missionary Society, was presented with a leather case and bookcase, and Mrs. Parsons with a leather attaché case, by the parishioners of St. Kevin's.

The Rev. S. C. Strong occupied the chair, and Mr. C. Harpur, Mr. W. A. Scales and Mr. W. Poole spoke in appreciation of Mr. Parsons's work and ministry.

GREYSTONES SOCIAL SERVICES

Improved rail, bus and telephone facilities and rate levies were matters dealt with by Greystones Ratepayers' Association during the year, Dr. J. J. Hickey, outgoing Chairman, stated at the annual meeting on last Tuesday night. The increases in rates were due, he said, to labourers' cottages, home help and an additional demand for Grangegorman Mental Hospital.

Mr. R. Reade was elected Chairman, Mr. R. Doyle Vice-chairman, Mr. E. D. Woodworth Hon. Secretary.

THE SUN

	To-day.	To-morrow.
Rises	9.19	9.17
Sets	5.59	6. 1
Lighting-up Time	6.29	6.31

HIGH WATER AT DUBLIN

	To-day.	To-morrow.
Morning	2. 6	2.54
Evening	2.29	3.12

AT OTHER PORTS

	Morning.	Evening
Ballina	8.35	9. 7
Cork	8.32	8.53
Cobh	8.29	8.50
Drogheda	1.56	2.10
Dundalk	1.53	2. 7
Galway	8. 1	8.27

Isolated for 44 days, the Shetland island of Foula, known as "the edge of the world," was relieved on Wednesday night when a motor boat delivered mails, including Christmas letters and parcels and five tons of foodstuffs.

LONDON LETTER

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON,
THURSDAY NIGHT.

BROTHER of an M.P. and a descendant of a famous Provost of Trinity College at the end of the eighteenth century, Professor Victor Hely-Hutchinson has been appointed Director of Music by the B.B.C., in succession to Mr. Arthur Bliss. He has held, since 1934, the Peyton and Barber Chair of Music at the University of Birmingham. A graduate

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

Announcements in this Column (which in all cases must be authenticated) are charged at the rate of 1/- per line (minimum 3/-).

BIRTHS

MAXWELL—January 19, 1944, to Joan (nee Humphreys), wife of Gunning Maxwell, Kirkcubbin, Co. Down, a son.

O'MEEHAN—January 15, 1944, at Windsor Nursing Home, Terenure, to Maureen, wife of Cyril J. O'Meehan, B.E., 154 Kimmage road, West Dublin, a daughter (Sheila Dorothy).

DEATHS

BAILEY—January 26, 1944, Francis Xavier, infant son of Warrant Officer Joseph Bailey (Marine Service) and Mrs. Bailey, 66 Ellesmere avenue, N.C. road, Dublin. Funeral (private) to Glasnevin Cemetery to-day (Friday), 10 o'clock.

BARNEWALL—January 27, 1944, at Pembroke Private Hospital, Kathleen, dearly beloved wife of John Barnewall, Brianford House, Kilbarrack, Sutton. Deeply mourned by her sorrowing husband and children. R.I.P. Remains arriving Church of SS. Peter and Paul, Baldoyle, at 5.45 this (Friday) evening. Funeral to-morrow (Saturday) after 11 o'clock Mass.

BYRNE—January 26, 1944, at his residence, Tollestown House, Castleknock, Dublin, James F. Byrne. Deeply regretted by his loving wife and relatives. R.I.P. Funeral to-day (Friday) from St. Brigid's Church, Blanchardstown, after 9 a.m. Mass, to Glasnevin Cemetery. No flowers; prayers instead.

CREGG—January 26, 1944, at her residence, Kilnamona, Walnut Grove, Ballyman road, Dublin, Mary, widow of Malachy Cregg. Deeply regretted. R.I.P. Remains were removed to the Church of the Seven Dolours, Glasnevin, yesterday (Thursday) evening. Funeral (private) to-day (Friday) after 10 o'clock Mass, to Glasnevin.

ENGLISH (Déal Éca na Sluaġ)—Ar an 27ao d'Eanair, an Doctúir Eugene Mic Inglis, Dún Doctáir Oifigeúil Incinne, Déal Éca na Sluaġ. Aifo Aifreann i Eaglais Naom Mícéal ar a 11 a clog, Dia Sathairn, 29ao. Socrajo go Criod, dheaċ tabhair an Aifreann. Sotar na dTlaċtar dá n-anam.

ENGLISH—January 27, 1944, at Ballinasloe, Dr. Ada English, R.M.S., Mental Hospital, Ballinasloe, younger daughter of the late P. J. English and Mrs. Nora English, Mullingar. R.I.P. Remains will be taken to St. Michael's Church, Ballinasloe, this (Friday) evening at 5 o'c. (S.T.). Solemn Requiem Mass at 11 a.m. (S.T.) to-morrow (Saturday) in St. Michael's Church. Funeral immediately afterwards to Creagh Cemetery.

HAWKINS—January 26, 1944, at his residence, Killabeg, Knockanarrigan, Co. Wicklow, Samuel Hawkins, aged 94 years. Deeply regretted by his family. Funeral to-day (Friday) at 2.30 p.m. (new time), to Killegan.

HUGHES—January 27, 1944, at her residence, Marsh House, Broghoda, Margaret (nee Lyons), relict of Peter Hughes. Deeply regretted by her sorrowing family and grandchildren. R.I.P. Remains will be removed this (Friday) evening at 7 o'c. to St. Mary's Church. Funeral to-morrow (Saturday) at 2 o'c. to family burial ground, Colpe.

KAVANAGH—January 26, 1944, Richard, elder son of Charles Kavanagh, Tinnakilly, Wicklow, as result of aircraft accident.

KINSELLA—January 27, 1944, at Grosvenor House, Wexford, Peggy, fourth daughter of William Kinsella and the late Mrs. Kinsella. Deeply regretted. R.I.P. Funeral to Screen Cemetery to-morrow (Saturday) at 2.30 o'clock (N.T.).

LESLIE—January 25, 1944, at his residence, Glassiough House, Colonel Sir John Leslie, Bart., C.B.E., in his 87th year, late of the Grenadier Guards. Much beloved and deeply regretted. Funeral leaving residence at 2.30 to-day (Friday) for Monkstown Church.

LEYBOURNE — January 24, 1944, William, aged 73, only surviving child of the late John and Eliza Leybourne, of this city. Interred 27th inst. at Mount Jerome.

McDAW—January 26, 1944, at a Dublin Nursing Home, Elizabeth Jardine McCaw, daughter of the late Daniel McCaw, formerly of Greenogue, Dromore, Co. Down. Funeral strictly private.

McLEAN—November 25, 1943, at Winnipeg, Clife, youngest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. McLean, late of Marineville, Inchicore.

O'DONNER—January 27, 1944, at his residence, 15 Mountpleasant square, Dublin, in his 89th year, Timothy O'Connor, R.I.P. Remains will be removed this (Friday) evening to the Church of Our Immaculate Lady of Refuge, Rathmines, 6.30 p.m. Funeral after 10 o'clock Mass to-morrow (Saturday).

PIKE—January 25, 1944, in London, Mary Alice Pike, in her 90th year, wife of the late Major Thomas M. Pike, R.A. Rifles, Dundalk.

SWORDS—January 26, 1944, at Mercer's Hospital, Edward, 22 Crawford avenue, Glasnevin, Dublin (late Master, s.s. Clarecastle, A.G.S. and Co.), son of the late Captain J. and Mrs. Swords, 4 Merlin House, Dalkey. Deeply mourned. R.I.P. Remains were removed to St. Columba's Church, Iona road, leaving hospital yesterday (Thursday) evening. Funeral after 10 a.m. Mass to-day (Friday), 28th.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for this column will be found in Page 3.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

CRANSHAW—The husband and family of the late Dorothy Cranshaw, 92 The Rise, Mount Merrion, wish to thank all kind friends who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement, and trust all will accept this in grateful acknowledgment.

IN MEMORIAM

ALLAN—In loving memory of my darling husband, Eugene Allan, who fell asleep January 28th, 1942. "Beautiful memories treasured ever, of happy days we spent together.

ALLAN—Treasured memories of our dear daddy, who was called Home January 28th, 1942.

"And Life for them is Life indeed,
"The splendid goal of Earth's strait race;
And where no shadows intervene,
They see Thy face."

HEWSON—First Anniversary—Treasured and cherished memories of our darling Olive, who was called Home January 28th, 1943. Until we meet. Ever remembered by her sorrowing parents and brothers.—Clonskenny Castle, Roscrea.

HEWSON—In loving memory of my dearly loved only sister, Olive, who was called Home January 28th, 1943.
"Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God."—Violet, Tommy and little Lyle.

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LEGAL NOTICES.

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ANNE LYNCH, late of Lord Edward Lodge, Mountjoy, in the County of Leix, Widow, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that, pursuant to the Statute 50 and 51 Vic., Chap. 54, that the above-named Deceased by her Will dated the 29th day of March, 1943, bequeathed a sum of £1000 to the Representative Church Body to be applied to the Sustentation Fund for the Parish of Maryborough for the maintenance of the Rector's Assistant for the time being; a sum of £100 to the Stewart Institution for Mentally Defective Children; a sum of £200 to the Old Men's Asylum, Lesson Park, Dublin.

And that she died on the 5th day of May, 1943, and Probate of her said Will was on the 14th day of August, 1943, granted out of the District Registry, Kilkenny, of the High Court of Justice (Probate), Eire, to Alexis Rousseau, Solicitor, Maryborough in the County of Leix, Solicitor, the Executor of the said Will named.

Dated this 25th day of January, 1944.

A. ROUSSEAU, Solicitor, Maryborough.

To the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests, Dublin, and to all whom it may concern.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF PETER BURROWES SHIEL, Deceased.

Pursuant to the 22nd and 23rd Vic., Cap. 35, Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the above-named Peter Burrowes Shiel, late of St. Edmundsbury, Lucan, formerly of La Bagatelle, Palmerstown, in the County of Dublin, who died on the 28th day of August, 1939, are hereby required to furnish particulars in writing of such claims or demands on or before the 27th day of February, 1944, to the undersigned Solicitor for the Administrator of the Deceased, to whom Administration, with Will annexed, was, on the 13th day of May, 1943, granted out of the Principal Probate Registry at Dublin. And Notice is hereby further given that after the said 27th day of February, 1944, the said Administrator will proceed to distribute the assets of the said Deceased, having regard only to the claims and demands of which they shall then have had notice.

Dated this 27th day of January, 1944.

R. W. MAXWELL, Solicitor for the Administrator, 16 Merrion square, Dublin.

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SOLICITORS' BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION.

A General Meeting of this Association, pursuant to Rule No. 19, will be held at the INCORPORATED LAW SOCIETY'S BUILDING, FOUR COURTS, DUBLIN, ON TO-DAY (FRIDAY), THE 28th JANUARY, 1944, at 3.30 p.m.
Chair to be taken at 2.30 p.m.
By Order,
PATRICK GLYNN, Secretary.

SITUATIONS VACANT NOTICE

Unless otherwise stated, all vacancies advertised hereunder are for employment in Ireland (exclusive of the Six Counties of Northern Ireland).

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